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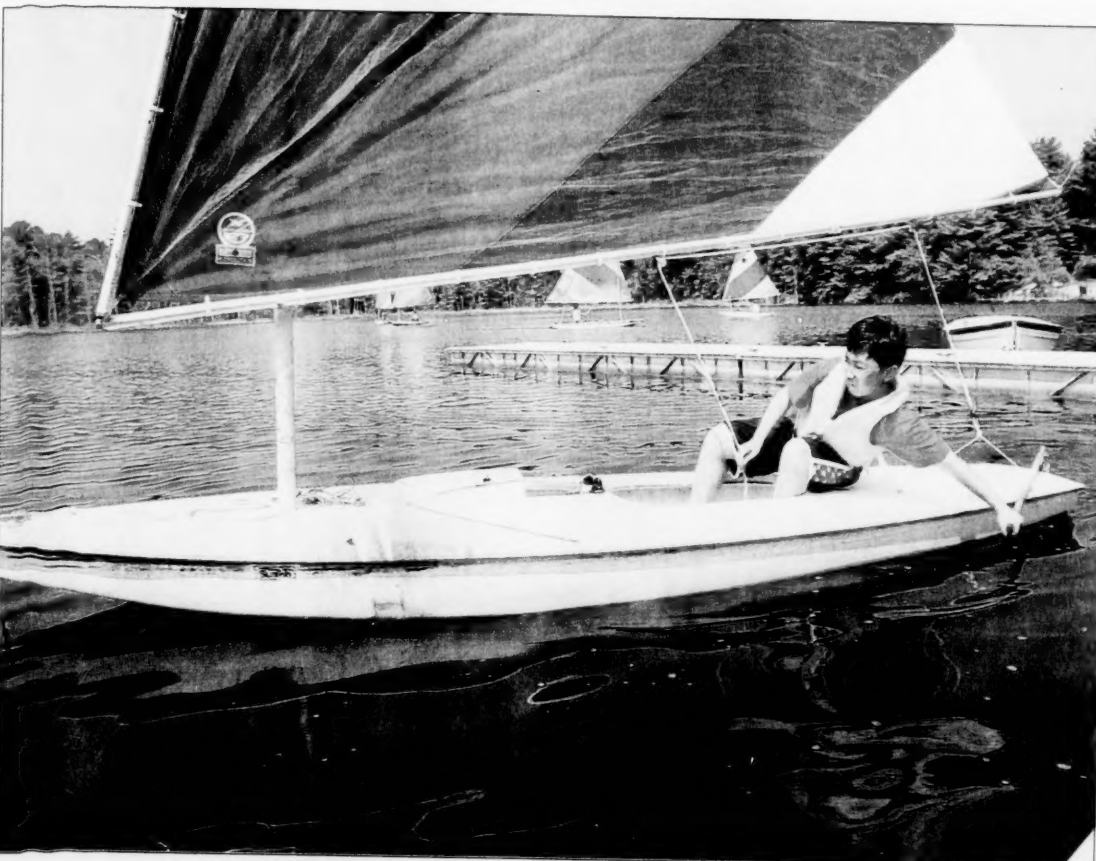
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THE BACK PAGE

He fought for Town Hall – and won



Bill Dalton

Old Town Hall, which anchors the middle of town, came within one old man's squeaky voice of being torn down in the mid-1960s.

The old man was Fred Cheever, a fixture at Town Meetings and a person well known in town.

A warrant article at a Town Meeting called for the Town Hall to be taken down to the ground. The meeting was crowded. Moderator Arthur Williams, who was a kind and pleasant man, had an extraordinary patience for debate. He was a judge and had been town moderator for many years. The discussion went on at great length with much repetition and few original or enlightening comments. On such an important matter, many folks wanted to be heard. Although preservationists abound today, back then they had to fight harder to prevail.

Preservationists knew Town Hall on Main Street was completed in 1858, shortly after Andover and North Andover split up. It was originally referred to as the "Town House" with the Town Hall being upstairs in the Town House. Over the years, the Town House came to be called the Town Hall.

When residents look at it now, they see a building that fits a town like Andover. It gives them a feeling of substance and permanence; it is durable and tough. If it were a person, it would be a lumbering, heavy-weight boxer. There is nothing graceful about the exterior of the building, but it is very solid. But, when I was growing up in the middle of the last century, townspeople generally made fun of the building.

In 1946, to celebrate Andover's tercentennial, a wonderful book was published by the Andover Townsman: "Andover: What It Was, What It Is and What It Is Going To Be." In it the committee of townspeople who helped write the book said Town Hall was a disgrace and they called for it to be torn down. It was not considered to be a controversial comment.

The Town Hall didn't even have a hall

by then. The once beautiful hall had occupied the entire upstairs until sometime in the 1930s, during the Great Depression. Then, because the town needed more space and the hall was used only rarely, it had been converted into office space. It was difficult to imagine that the hall had once served as the central meeting place for town events, including Pynchard High School graduations. Over time, the work to petition the rooms was done cheaply and in a way that seemed temporary, as if no one thought the building would remain there very long.

Downstairs, things were more permanent. The police station occupied much of the back of the building. When you entered the front of the building, there was still some beauty. The town seal was inlaid in the floor and two spiral staircases were on each side. However, for many years they were blocked off and, if you wanted to go upstairs, you did so on a stairway in the back of the building.

In short, as the building started to age, the townspeople thought the building was unpleasant and treated it that way, believing that it only would be a short time until the town fathers developed a plan to replace it. Replacing a town municipal building is no small project and no plan to do so emerged until the mid '60s.

And then came the Town Meeting with Fred Cheever.

Cheever was not generally considered to be a preservationist. He was a pragmatic

business man from a family who had lived in town for generations. Cheever was a realtor and many residents remembered that he had been a real estate developer. Near the center of town, off Elm Street, is Johnson Acres, a name now mostly forgotten, which includes a road called Cheever Circle. Johnson Acres occupies the area between Walnut Street and Shipman Road. That subdivision was primarily developed by Cheever. I believe that it is the second-oldest real estate subdivision in Andover (William Wood's innovative and historical "Shaw-sheen" being the oldest).

Cheever occupied a small office over what is now Kaps. He had a sign in the second floor window saying, "Fred E. Cheever Real Estate." His office was small, dusty and unkempt and had only his desk and chair as well as two other wood chairs for his visitors. The furniture was oak and old. While other realtors charged a 6-percent commission, he kept his at 3 percent.

The debate to tear down Town Hall seemed endless, and I thought the preservationists were losing. Speaker after speaker lulled the audience into lassitude. People were fidgeting in their chairs when Moderator Williams recognized Cheever.

Cheever was a relatively short man with sparse white hair. He was not a person who would ever be accused of being extravagant, either in his personal living habits or speech. He was very modest in both departments. Perhaps other people, wiser than I was, knew what Cheever was going to say; I did not. Perhaps he was not loved by all, but he was respected. When he said that he thought the people of Andover would be foolish and shortsighted to tear down the Town Hall, the voters appreciated his opinion, although it alone might not have been dispositive. However, he then said he would donate \$500 toward the building's renovation. That was a lot of money in those days. Cheever had put his money and his mouth on the same side of the issue.

When Cheever finished speaking there were calls to end the debate, and the article to tear down Town Hall was defeated. I'm sure there are people who remember the vote, and they might have an opinion of the matter that differs from mine, but I will tell you that there is no doubt in my mind that Fred Cheever saved Town Hall.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Old Town Hall

Chiropractor's office will stay on Route 133

The chiropractor business and its sign will stay on Lowell Street. While neighbors were startled when the Dutch colonial at 110 Lowell St. became a home office for chiropractor James Peck, town officials say it is perfectly legal.

At last Thursday night's zoning board meeting, the board voted unanimously to allow the business to open. Chiropractors can indeed have home-based businesses, according to town bylaws. Doctors, dentists and lawyers are also covered under the bylaw, according to the town.

"We didn't have a chance, but we did make some noise," said Jane Roberts of 105 Lowell St., who spoke against the business at the meeting.

She has said she believes the business sign is too big for the neighborhood, but town officials stand by their measurements. The sign meets requirements.

Roberts has said some neighbors have talked about appealing the board's decision.

— Judy Wakefield

POLICE LOG

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called to take care of the car.

At 9:40 a.m., a resident reported someone had drove into a mailbox in the area of Preston Circle during the night.

Sunday, July 10 At 6:02 p.m., a resident reported a vehicle stolen. Police checked the area and found the resident's car behind a building on Railroad Street. The resident forgot where they had parked.

Tuesday, July 12 - At 3:28 p.m., a resident reported tires slashed in the area of River Road.

THEFTS

Thursday, July 7, at 10:23 p.m., a resident reported his cell phone stolen. The resident said that while his car was parked at CVS around 6:30 p.m., he had left the window rolled down and someone must have reached in and took it.

Saturday, July 9 - At 9:42 a.m., a resident reported a past car break in the area of Bulfinch Drive and said someone had stolen a stereo out of his friend's vehicle.

Tuesday, July 12 - At 6:52 p.m., a resident reported a male subject stole a bicycle from a neighbor's house and was pedaling toward Enmore Street. Police checked the area and found no one.

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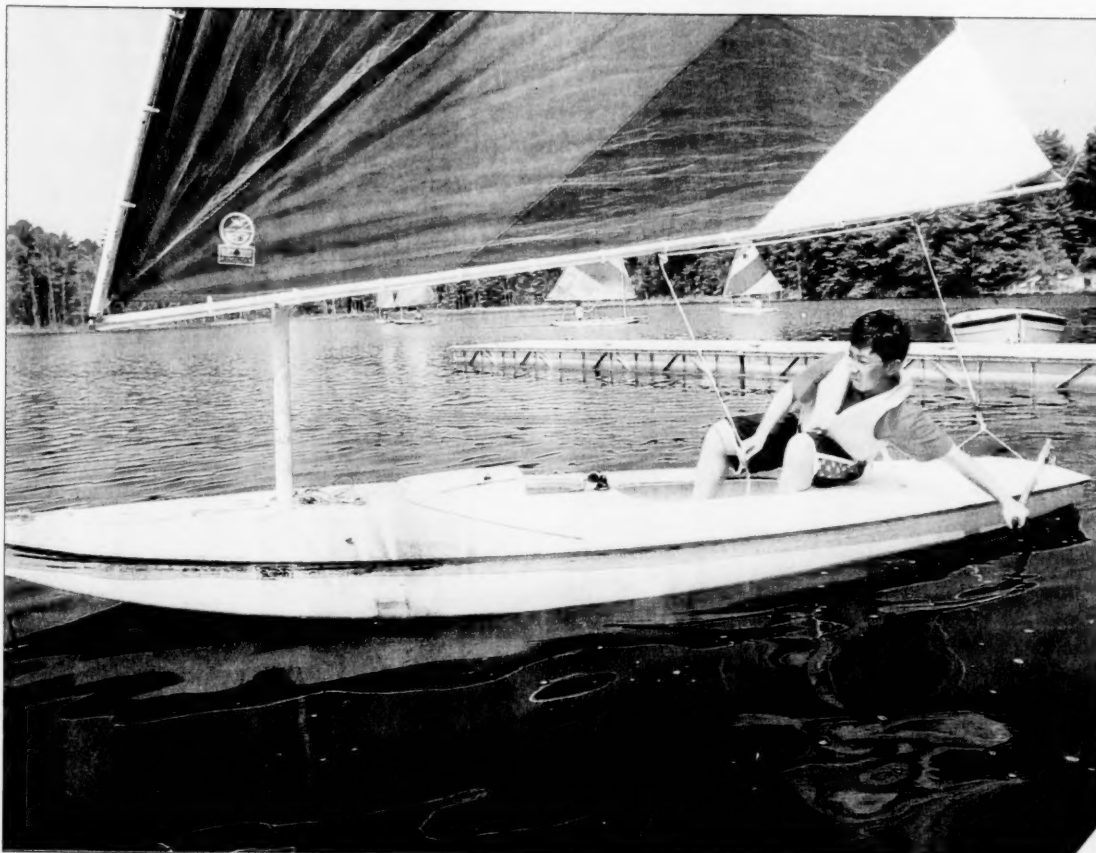
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ATVS, SNOWMOBILES

Crackdown on conservation land

In the fall, the hunters come. In the winter, the snowmobiles. In the spring and summer, the all-terrain vehicles.

Hundreds of people illegally use Andover's conservation land and private property year-round, and first-year Conservation Director Robert Douglas is pushing to stop it.

"We get calls all the time. People just buzz across their yards and they're upset," Douglas said of snowmobile and ATV riders. "There's mounting illegal activity."

Some of what goes on can be dangerous. This past winter, 16-year-old Brian M. DeSalvo of South Lawrence died in a snowmobile accident at Ponds Pond off Abbot Street, near Camp Maude Eaton, a summer camp for Girl Scouts. The land is owned by the camp, but considered part of Andover's Recreational Park, where snowmobiles are prohibited. It was the first snowmobiler death in the state in two years.

The only legal place to ride on a snowmobile or ATV in Andover is on private property with permission of the owners.

Douglas said he is working with Andover police and state legislators to put up more signs warning people that riding and hunting on town-owned and Andover Village Improvement Society property is illegal. Douglas would also like to build roadblocks to the conservation land, including boulders, rails or chains.

Sgt. John Pathiakos said more signs and roadblocks have been needed for years. He said police receive two or three calls a week from people complaining of ATV and snowmobile use. Police regularly warn riders verbally and even arrest people and tow vehicles in some situations. Popular riding spots include the area off Chandler and High Plain roads, and Harold Parker State Forest.

"The new commissioner of conservation - he's very proactive with this. We're working hand-in-hand to solve the problem," Pathiakos said.

- Dorian Block

Neighbors to bank: Withdraw brightness

Bank says lights needed for safety

By Greta Cuyler

Lights meant to provide safety to customers of the Northmark Bank at 63 Park St. continue to draw complaints from residential neighbors, and do not comply with the town's special planning permit, say town officials.

"Since the bank has gone up, we've been getting complaints," said Paul Salafia, Planning Board chairman. Town workers were still receiving complaints through the end of last week for the bank branch that opened during the first week of May.

But Jane Walsh, president of the North Andover-based bank, says the lighting problem was fixed some time ago and that she has not heard of any recent complaints from neighbors or town officials.

"I think we're making a mountain out of a molehill," said Walsh.

The town's planning board issued a Special Permit for major non-residential development to property owner Moushel LLC on June 22, 2004. Northmark, as current property owner, is operating under the 2004 special permit guidelines.

The permit mandated that no exterior light create glare or spill



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Some Park Street residents are upset about the brightness of lights at Northmark Bank, which says it needs the lights to keep its night deposit and ATM safe for customers.

over onto adjacent residential property and all lighting be directed inward toward the bank building. Any lighting required for security purposes would be installed upon consultation with the Andover Police to determine security requirements, number of fixtures and times of illumination.

"We're there to be good neighbors," said Walsh, who added that although it would be great to turn the lights off during the night, "it's not in the cards for the kind of business we're in."

Andover Police Lt. James Hashem confirmed the bank consulted with his department about its lighting. Hashem said the bank has been very cooperative in trying to resolve the problems.

"We're working with the bank to try to make everyone happy," he said.

But Campbell Stras, who lives near the bank on Park Street, says the lights have been a nuisance since they were installed. The lights shine into all of his windows, and he predicts the problem will worsen as tree cover lessens in the fall.

According to Stras, the lights are shielded, but "are so bright, the ones from the other side (of the parking lot) still shine in the window."

Although Walsh paid a visit to Stras earlier this year to describe the steps the bank had taken to reduce light spillage, Stras says he remains unsatisfied by the changes.

Walsh emphasized that Northmark's lighting is a public safety issue. "We want people to feel safe when they approach the night deposit or ATM," she said.

The federal Bank Protection Act mandates all bank vaults

need to be lit 24 hours a day, seven days a week, said Walsh. Outside vaults include the night deposit and the ATM.

The Massachusetts Bankers Association confirmed that bank vaults need to be illuminated at all times, although there are no federal specifications as to brightness.

"The banks generally work with the town and the neighbors as far as keeping the wattage as low as possible and still maintaining the safety of the center," said Peter Blanchard, vice president, member services.

"Most banks will err on the side of customer safety while at the same time trying to be the best of neighbors. We don't very often have problems with neighbors when the light is set at a comfortable level," said Blanchard.

Salafia and Steve Colyer, town planning director, toured downtown after the last planning meeting on July 12 about 11:30 p.m. for a visual inspection of local bank lighting. The lights at Northmark were "far and away the brightest," said Salafia.

According to Colyer, the board remains concerned about the lighting, especially since the bank's parking lot borders a residential area.

"There's a simple solution to the problem," said Stras. "I was driving by the new North Andover High School and they have lights in the parking lot, lights that shine down and don't cast any light."

According to paperwork provided by North Andover school officials, their parking lot lights average \$450 per light and are manufactured by Lithonia Lighting.

Colyer says the planning board will hold a meeting on July 26 with neighbors and bank representatives to discuss the lighting issues and bring the bank into compliance.

"I'm sure it won't be a problem," said Salafia.

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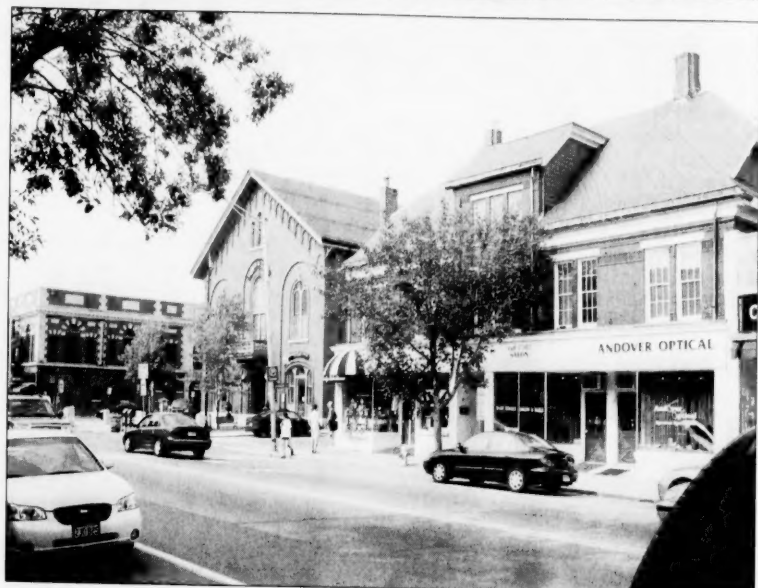
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OLDER PHOTO COURTESY OF ANDOVER HISTORICAL SOCIETY; MODERN-DAY PHOTO BY TIM JEAN
Main Street in the early 1950s, as shown in the top photo, did not have trees along the street, but it did sport older style lights similar to the type the Main Street Committee will be returning to the area. There are no plans for parking meters to be reinstalled.

River watchdogs looking for help in Shawsheen cleanup

Members of the Shawsheen River Watershed Association say they never know what they will find when they put on their boots and heavy gloves and wade into the river for the group's annual cleanup.

It could be shopping carts, tires, plastic soda bottles or even furniture, according to Bob Marsh of Andover, an SRWA member who has been helping with regular river cleanups for three years.

The group is looking for volunteers Saturday morning, July 23, from 8:45 until noon to help members clean the river from the Stevens Street bridge near the post office to Balmoral dam in Shawsheen Village.

They will meet rain or shine at 8:45 a.m. at the east parking lot of Marland Place, 15 Stevens

St. Ordinary summer clothes with boots and rubber gloves are recommended. Those willing to get into the river to actually pry the tires and shopping carts out should dress appropriately. After the cleanup, members of the Washington Park Residents Association will host a picnic for workers.

"We do know that we improve the flow and quality of the river when we get that stuff out of there," Marsh said in a release. "We are all volunteers. We actually do something and it's very satisfying."

The main emphasis will be tire and shopping cart removal, according to Jack Brady. "After they are removed, the built up sand and silt will wash away and allow the river to re-establish its natural channel," he said.

For the past 20 years, the Shawsheen River Watershed Association has been dedicated to the reparation and preservation of 25 miles of the Shawsheen River, once a trash-dammed and polluted stream. In that time, the river has become navigable and birds, mammalian and amphibious wildlife have returned in abundance, according to the SRWA.

July health clinics

The Andover Health Department will offer a mini clinic on Monday, July 25 from 1 to 2 p.m. at Frye Circle. A senior-center clinic will be held 2 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27. No appointment is necessary.

Supporting troops

Looking to support local service people stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan? John Doherty, veterans agent, has a way.

Doherty says he is frequently asked for addresses of Andover people stationed overseas so that folks can send cards and packages. However, this usually cannot be done because most families request their addresses not be made public. He notes that the Veterans Services Office continues to support local troops with letters and monthly packages and e-mails by arrangement with the families.

For those looking to do something special for service people, Doherty suggests writing a letter or a card to "those men and women who have paid a steep price for their service. Americans wounded in action whose wounds are considered serious and possibly life-threatening are evacuated for treatment to the US Army General Hospital in Landstuhl, Germany, one of the foremost trauma centers in the entire world. Patients typically stay there for some time until their wounds can be stabilized."

Doherty reports residents can send cards and letters to the chaplain's office for distribution: Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Dept. of Pastoral Services, CMR 402, APO AE 09180.

Both medical personnel and the chaplains have told the town that cards and letters go a long way in assisting the recovery of seriously wounded service people, according to Doherty.

League supports bill

Andover resident Madhu Sridhar, president of the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, has announced the League's support of new legislation meant to institute additional safeguards against fraud in Massachusetts' initiative and referendum petition process, and give the public more information about financial contributions to these campaigns.

The legislation, filed by Sen. Edward Augustus, co-chairman of the Joint Committee on Election Laws, aims to increase voters' confidence in the ballot-question process by eliminating deceptive and fraudulent practices in signature gathering and by making public information about who is financing the campaigns, says the League.

Correction

Last week's Education page article "From Spain to Red Sox country," incorrectly referenced population totals. The population of Spain is about 40 million people. Valencia, one of Spain's largest cities, has fewer than one million people.

Quote, unquote . . .

I LIKE LOOKING AT WHAT I'VE CREATED ... Poetry can't be fake.

— Alec Weiss, a sixth-grader whose poem appeared in the latest edition of AppleSauce, a literary magazine for local middle-school students. (Story in Arts, page 9)

THE RADIATION MUST'VE KILLED OFF a lot of nature.

— Michelle Blanter, noting that children visiting Andover from Belarus, a small country about 10 kilometers north of the Chernobyl power plant, were particularly impressed with the wildlife in town. (Story in Townspeople, page 17)

PICK A PLAN THAT COVERS your most expensive drugs.

— Susan Crippes, a manager from Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders, encouraging seniors to weigh different provider options in light of changes in government prescription-drug coverage. (Story, page 4)

News Calendar

Monday, July 25

Board of Health, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., second-floor conference room, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, July 26

South Street Improvement Council, South School Conference Room, 9 a.m.

Planning Board, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 28

Contributory Retirement Board, Town Offices, third-floor conference room, 9 a.m.

Disability Commission, Memorial Hall Library, Activity Room, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 4

Zoning Board of Appeals, Memorial Hall Library, the Hall, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 6

Zoning Board of Appeals, Memorial Hall Library, the Hall, 9 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 8

Housing Partnership Committee, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 7

Finance Committee, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7 p.m.

Afraid of falling? Therapist offers free advice

Does the fear of falling keep you from doing the things you love? Do you feel dizzy or unsteady? Do your feet become painful and numb?

Robert Ford, physical therapist, will discuss systems of balance, how balance can be improved and how people can decrease their risk of falling, as part of a health series at Marland Place's community room, 15 Stevens St. on Monday, Aug. 8 from 2 to 3 p.m.

According to Marland Place, people rely on multiple systems to maintain their balance. These

complicated systems work together to tell a person's body how to balance itself and not fall over. Many factors can lead to balance dysfunction but these factors can be improved upon so that people do not have to accept feeling unsteady. People do not have to live with the fear of falling, says Marland Place.

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David Potvin, director of the Berkeley Retirement Home in Lawrence which currently cares for several Andover seniors.

"What if somebody is home-bound and they need laundry, housekeeping, special diets, regular medicine and bedside nursing?" Potvin asks. "If we can care for seniors that need round-the-clock care for half the cost, I'd like to know exactly what services are going to be provided and how."

Under state law, nursing homes are now required to carry defibrillators, a \$2,000 device that helps reestablish a person's heartbeat with an electrical current. If family members are not mandated to follow the same guidelines that the state now imposes on nursing homes, Potvin is concerned saving money could ultimately cost seniors their well-being.

Other senior-care providers believe putting more choices on the table will increase seniors' independence.

"There is always the population that will do everything they can to stay home as long as possible," said Kristine Arakelian, outreach coordinator at the Andover Senior Center. "There are a lot of very good things about nursing homes but they are still not home. You can't not support a resource that helps keep folks feeling connected to their community."

The number of seniors living in town has increased this year by almost 10 percent, going from 5,045 last year to approximately 5,512, according to the most recent census data. Arakelian said the financial help offered to family members through the new program could encourage some members of the town's growing senior population to feel like less of a burden on their loved ones.

"There are many sons, daughters and other relatives in situations where they would like to stay home and care for a senior, but walking away from their job to do so makes it inhibitive financially," said L'Italien. "Every senior I've ever spoken to would prefer to stay at home. This initiative not only gives seniors a choice, but provides it at half the cost of placing them in a nursing home."

Pilot program

Piloted in March by Mass Home Care, an association of non-profit home-care providers assisting seniors statewide, Caring Homes enrolled 21 seniors to participate in a trial program modeled after Oregon's family home-care program. In the 1980s, Oregon was the first state in the country to establish family home care that has since grown to serve 2,000 seniors.

Participants under the Commonwealth's pilot program have received \$1,500 a month allowing them to stay home with relatives. These caregivers are connected to a support system network of social workers and visiting nurses.

Once regulations are finalized, the state aims to expand the program this fall to eligible residents. To enter the program, seniors must be low-income and currently on Medicaid. Caregivers will also have to demonstrate financial hardship.

While income and assets guidelines are still being determined, state elder-care workers confirm that there is nothing in the language of the program's guidelines that prohibits a caregiver from taking in more than one relative, as long as there is proof that all people are on Medicaid and considered disabled.

"Traditionally, we've been providing the least desired and most expensive care first," said Al Norman, director of Mass Home Care. "Nursing home care is an entitlement under Medicaid, home care is not. We've had to fight for more funding for home care over the years while nursing homes continue to receive the lion's share of the money."

A senior foster-care program has existed in Massachusetts for some time, paying a stipend to caregivers who house seniors. About 1,200 seniors are currently enrolled in that program. The problem with the existing program, according to Norman, is its limitations; the program excludes adult children from caring for aging parents.

Opponents of family home care also question whether taxpayers should fund services that relatives have long provided for free.

Spouses are still exempt from the program, but Norman said

his organization, along with lawmakers, are working to change that clause in the future.

Norman and other lobbyists credit Andover State Rep. Barbara L'Italien with pushing the legislation through Beacon-Hill.

"We knew who to go to when it came down to the 11th hour," said Rosanne DiStefano, program director for Merrimack Valley Elder Care Services. "Barbara knew the importance of giving seniors an opportunity to get care from someone they already know and love. Extending home care to the natural family will do wonders for seniors' comfort factor and their peace of mind."

L'Italien said her initiative passed in the House, and the House and Senate reached an agreement on a compromise plan in a conference committee.

The state anticipates spending \$1.6 billion on nursing home care this year.

Caring Homes offers a glimmer of hope for state residents like Bob Tavanese, who liquidated all of his assets to take care of his elderly mother. At 87, Tavanese's mother has just undergone two operations, claiming both of her legs. Now that Tavanese's savings have been virtually depleted on health care and living expenses, he worries that his mother might have to enter a nursing home.

"She needs full-time care," said Tavanese, a former high school teacher. "I'm just trying to find a happy medium that will help me keep her at home with me where I know she wants to be."

With many details of the Caring Homes program still needing to be ironed out by the state, Potvin argues that a more efficient strategy should be planned to avoid the possibility of abuse and other potential "danger zones."

"I'm not saying there's not a need for home health-care services," Potvin said. "When I reach that age, I'm going to cling to my domicile to the very end. But we are not going down a primrose path here to save some money. What is going to happen when a senior needs emergency care and their son or daughter can't help them because they just don't know how?"



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Virginia Butcher of Andover and Frank Drozdick of North Andover enjoy a game of cribbage at the Andover Senior Center. They are two seniors not troubled by Medicare's changes, saying they feel covered by their private insurance coverage.

Prescription-drug changes worry some Andover seniors

By Greta Cuyler

Local residents expressed concern about upcoming changes to Medicare's prescription drug coverage at a forum organized by the Andover Senior Center last week. The changes, due to take effect in January 2006, could affect more than 4,500 Social Security recipients in Andover.

Stanley Vassallo, district manager for the Social Security Administration, outlined upcoming changes to a packed room at the senior center on Friday, July 15. Medicare's Part D, a federal prescription drug coverage program, is due to replace the state's Prescription Advantage program.

Initial reaction to the Medicare program was not positive at the meeting. "They're supposed to be helping us," said one woman. Another called out, "They're really putting the screws to us."

Under the new plan, participants will pay approximately \$35 per month, plus a \$250 annual deductible. Once the deductible limit is reached, the plan will pay 75 percent of medication costs up to \$2,250. It does not pay any medication costs between \$2,251 and \$5,100 – the so-called "donut hole" of the plan. It pays 95 percent of patients' annual medication costs above \$5,101. The plan operates on a yearly cycle.

The state's existing Prescription Advantage program does not have income eligibility guidelines, but instead offers tiered pricing depending on income. Monthly premiums range from \$0 to \$99, quarterly deductibles range from \$0 to \$125 and each prescription co-pay ranges from \$9-\$50, according to Pat Paradis, a certified SHINE (Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders) program counselor at Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley.

Paradis hopes the state will keep the Prescription Advantage program available in some form as a "wrap-around" for those who need a financial safety net. However, the state has not yet announced if or how it will supplement the federal program.

The new program will be administered through private companies, not Social Security.

"Right now we can't tell you who these companies are, or where they'll be located," said Vassallo, adding that provider names will be announced in October. Local residents will have at least two drug-provider options from which to choose.

Susan Crippes, a SHINE manager, encouraged seniors to weigh different provider options against medication needs, dosage and retail price. "Pick a plan that covers your most expensive drugs," she said.

Crippes said the changes are the result of the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003, which President George Bush signed into law in December 2003.

Medicare covers disabled persons and seniors over age 65. Under the new Part D program, people with private insurance can use Medicare to supplement medication costs not covered by their existing plan.

Some residents with private health insurance, such as Virginia Butcher, say they are not worried about the Medicare changes. Butcher says she is thankful her Blue Cross/Blue Shield plan covers not only her medical bills, but also medications after satisfaction of a \$35 quarterly deductible. In the past two years, Butcher has undergone two operations relating to a breast-cancer diagnosis, had chemotherapy and took medication. The only

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, July 13 - At 6:44 p.m., Richard W. Sylvester Jr., 40, of 294 South Main St., was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license, and with a traffic-light violation.

Thursday, July 14 - At 12:35 a.m., Joseph A. Fabiano, 42, of 379 Broadway St., Somerville, was arrested and charged on warrants for larceny by check over \$250, intimidating a witness and stalking.

Friday, July 15 - At 6:38 p.m., William R. Barbra, 36, of 103 Cluff Crossing Road, Salem, N.H., was arrested and charged on warrants for operating an uninspected and uninsured motor vehicle.

Sunday, July 17 - At 7:27 p.m., Daniel Alicea, 29, of 21 Pelham St., Methuen, was arrested and charged with driving with a revoked license after a conviction for operating under the influence, and failing to wear a seatbelt.

At 8:31 p.m., Leyun Zhu, 40, of 180 Shawshen Road, was arrested and charged with assault and battery on a household member, his wife.

Monday, July 18 - At 3:35 p.m., Melquis Jacobo, 22 of 13 Pembroke Drive, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license and with a license-plate violation.

Tuesday, July 19 - At 3:41 p.m., Juan R. Torres, 22, of 525 Essex St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license and a bad inspection sticker.

At 4:08 p.m., Jorge L. Correa, 26, of 201 Wilder St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with giving a false name and address to police during booking and driving with a revoked license.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, July 13 - At 4:48 a.m., police were searching for George Ingles, 44, a resident of Lunenburg, wanted for domestic assault and battery. The subject later turned himself in to the Lunenburg Police Department.

At 11:36 a.m., a caller reported a small pug dog was running loose on

Andover Street. Animal control captured the dog and brought it to Andover Animal Hospital.

At 1:36 p.m., a caller reported a suspicious looking male in a white golf shirt and black dress pants on a telephone pole past Barron's Country Store. The caller said there did not appear to be any kind of utility vehicle in the area. Police said the man was a worker trying to fix a street sign.

At 3:54 p.m., a Labrador retriever was found on Sunset Rock Road and taken to Andover Animal Hospital by the animal control officer.

At 9:29 p.m., a resident reported a possible house party in the area of Longwood Drive involving underage drinking.

Thursday, July 14 - At 2:41 a.m., a resident reported hearing noises behind her residence. Police checked the area and said, "The only noise is leaves blowing in the wind."

At 2:28 p.m., a caller reported her three-year-old daughter was locked inside the car. Elm Street Auto opened the vehicle.

At 10:10 p.m., a caller reported an underage party with alcohol on the scene in the area of Osgood Street. Police spoke to a parent about the incident.

Friday, July 15 - At 5:57 a.m., an officer reported the trash barrels at the Park area were all overflowing. Police notified the Parks Division.

At 9:28 a.m., a resident reported illegal dumping in the woods off Whispering Pines Drive. The caller said they saw computer parts with Andover High School stickers on them. Custodians at AHS said they would take care of the problem.

Saturday, July 16 - At 1:40 p.m., a Bannister Road resident reported residents on the street have had discolored tap water for about a week. Police said hydrants running for three days should have cleared the problem and said they would have the water division contact them.

At 3:42 p.m., a resident reported an altercation between three parties. The caller said her neighbor marked her fence with an orange X. Police said the argument was a "civil issue."

At 6:19 p.m., a Gray Road resident reported she had been on vacation and returned home to find her tap water was running black.

Sunday, July 17 - At 8:13 a.m., a resident reported newly installed wells in the area of Greenwood Road were overflowing. The resident was worried the water might flood his yard. Police left a message with the realtor.

At 1:17 p.m., a parent placed a

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Anger management, fine for coffee assault

Man admits to throwing hot coffee

By Gene Roman

It will cost William F. Tracy of Andover \$1,300 and he must attend an anger management course for tossing a cup of hot coffee at a toddler and members of her family during an apple picking excursion almost two years ago.

Tracy, 62, pleaded guilty Monday in Lawrence District Court to five counts of assault and battery for throwing the coffee at a family at Smolak Farms in North Andover in October 2004, hitting a 2-year-old girl.

Judge Thomas Brennan sentenced Tracy to one year in a house of correction on three of the counts; that sentence to be suspended for two years with probation. He was sentenced to two years of probation on the other two counts.

Brennan also fined Tracy \$1,250 and ordered him to pay \$50 to the victim/witness fund. As part of his sentence, he must complete an anger management course and perform 50 hours of community service.

Tracy pleaded not guilty to the original charges, claiming that the coffee he threw at 2-

year-old Isabella Carroll of Melrose, and four of her relatives on Oct. 10, 2004, was cold.

Brennan yesterday ordered that Tracy write a letter of apology to the victims admitting that the coffee was not cold.

In an interview at the time, Isabella's aunt, Lisa Courtney of Peabody, said the family members were on a Sunday apple-picking outing. She said an older cousin shook a small cider bottle and the spray struck Tracy sitting at a nearby picnic table. This produced laughter from those gathered nearby which infuriated Tracy, Courtney said.

"The guy stood right up and said, 'I don't think it's (expletive) funny' and he threw his coffee at us," Courtney said.

According to Courtney, her niece was hit in the face and "soaked with hot coffee, all down her cheek and neck," and other family members were struck by the flying coffee.

Tracy told *The Eagle-Tribune* on Oct. 12, 2004, that after being splashed by the cider he immediately left the premises. "I did not even see a child," he said.

During the original incident, police and an ambulance responded, but the ambulance left after confirming that no one was injured.

Essex County Assistant District Attorney Jana DiNatale said yesterday that "had the case gone to trial, the commonwealth would have proven that Tracy became upset when he was accidentally sprayed with cider by a nearby group, and perceived that they were laughing at him."

According to prosecutors, Tracy's prior criminal record includes charges of driving to endanger, assault and battery with a dangerous weapon, larceny and 47 counts of annoying telephone calls to a lawyer.

Seniors await Medicare changes

■ PRESCRIPTION COSTS

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additional expenses she paid after her insurance costs was a \$2.85 invoice for radiation services from a clinic she went to in Florida.

Frank Drozdick recently moved to North Andover after he sold his home in Andover. He is also glad that he has private coverage he was able to get from Blue Cross/Blue Shield. He enrolled in the private plan with help from Andover State Rep. Barbara L'Italien after his insurance company, Secure Horizons, stopped paying his medical bills.

Drozdick does have prescription coverage under his insurance plan, and the new Medicare plan could help him save on the approximately \$800 he pays out of pocket every month.

Some Medicare recipients — those currently receiving supple-

mental benefits, Medicaid/Mass Health or partial premium payments — might qualify to receive "extra help" under Part D, a subsidy to defray costs of the new program. Individuals whose income falls below \$14,355 or married couples with income below \$19,245 might be eligible for varying levels of subsidies to cover monthly premiums, deductibles, co-pays and catastrophic coverage. There are also applicable resource and income limits for subsidies. Under the existing state plan, there are no resource restrictions.

Social Security is in the process of mailing letters to recipients advising them of the new plan. Private insurers offering drug coverage will also mail participants letters by November indicating whether their plan is better or worse than Part D. "Keep whatever you get in the mail and we will be able to help

you," said Paradis. SHINE representatives will return to the senior center on Oct. 7 to answer questions and assist residents with paperwork relating to the coverage changes.

Those eligible for coverage must sign up between Nov. 15 and May 15, 2006 to receive coverage. According to Vassallo, an eligible person who does not sign up before May 15, 2006 will face a 1-percent surcharge per month. In other words, if that person decides to sign up for the Medicare program two years after becoming eligible, he will pay a 24-percent penalty to the drug provider.

Bob Willard of Andover called the interest charges "draconian."

Paradis tried to reassure concerned residents. "Just remember, we're giving you an overview. Nobody knows anything yet," she said.

Superintendent's raise

■ BACH

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age increase that town teachers received over their three-year contract. But Bach's contract, extending four years, adds another three percent raise in the fourth year.

For fiscal year 2005, Bach's total compensation package including a \$12,500 annuity, amounted to \$153,812. Although the superintendent's base salary ranked her at No. 10 out of the 12 districts Andover compares itself to, her total

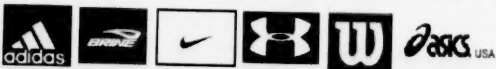
compensation package placed her in the middle of these communities' superintendents.

The School Committee's regularly scheduled public meeting was canceled on Tuesday night after Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantadosi closed down the School Administration building to repair a generator that failed during an afternoon power outage. The committee scheduled an impromptu press conference to discuss Bach's pay raise to "disseminate the information to the public as quickly as possible."

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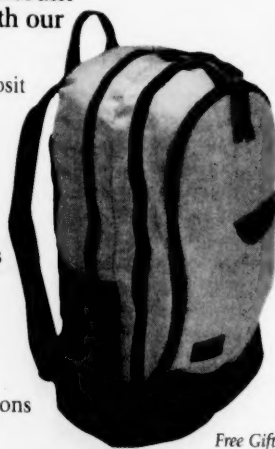
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OBITUARIES

Frederick "Rick" E. Watt

Former resident worked at Hill's Hardware

Frederick "Rick" E. Watt, 56, a former Andover resident, died Tuesday, July 12, at the Merrimack Valley Hospital in Haverhill.

Born to the late Frederick and Verna (Cass) Watt, he attended the Devereux School in Devon, Pa.

He worked for his stepfather, Rodney Hill, in the 1960s at Hill's Hardware store, a long-time landmark on Main Street in Andover.

Mr. Watt prided himself in being independent, living alone and getting a driver's license. He enjoyed yard work.

Members of his family include a sister, Jane and her husband Joseph Hastings of South Lawrence; and several nieces and nephews.

He also enjoyed visiting friends, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gardner, formerly of Andover.

Burial in the cemetery at Phillips Academy will be private.

Memorial contributions, in Mr. Watt's name may be made to Larazus House, 260 Park St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Funeral arrangements are by Dewhurst & Conte Funeral Homes, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Duarte of Las Vegas, Roberta R. Dumont of California, Eunice A. Braithwaite of Maryland; 21 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and several nephews and nieces.

Arrangements were by the Kevin B. Comeau Funeral Home, 486 Main St., Haverhill.

Patrice Harrington

Consulting at Harvard's School of Design

Patrice (Berry) Harrington, 46, died at her home in Andover on Saturday, July 9.

Born in Boston, she grew up in Brookline. She attended Runkle Elementary School and graduated from Brookline High School in 1976 where she was elected to the National Honor Society.

She attended McGill University in Montreal, Canada, from 1976 to 1978 and graduated magna cum laude from Wesleyan University in 1980 with a bachelor's degree in political science.

She had been involved in the computer field since 1981 and was doing high-level technical consulting at the Harvard University Graduate School of Design.

She earned a master's degree in computer science from Boston University in 1986.

Active in community endeavors, Mrs. Harrington was involved with programs for underprivileged children, mentally disabled children, physically ill children and the elderly.

She was actively involved with People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals and other animal rights organizations over the years.

Members of her family include her husband, Robert Harrington; a daughter, Anna Mae; her father, Dr. Yale Berry; a brother, Dr. Matthew Berry of Los Angeles, Calif.; her twin sister, Pamela Westell of Wayland; another sister, Jennifer Berry of Westwood; and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held last week at Congregation Israel in Andover.

Arrangements were by Stanetsky Memorial Chapels, 1668 Beacon St., Brookline.

Brian H. Smith

Director of marketing at Star, Shaw's Markets

Brian H. Smith, 48, died July 16, at his Andover home following a long illness.

The son of the late Howard and Lois (Ruggles) Smith and stepson of the late Elinor Smith, Mr. Smith was raised in Wakefield. He graduated from Wakefield High School, and received a bachelor's degree from Northeastern University and an MBA from Suffolk University.

He was a longtime employee of Star Markets and Shaw's Markets as the director of mar-

keting.

He owned and operated the Brian Smith Handcrafted Furniture Co., which specialized in fine Shaker reproductions.

Members of his family include his wife, Terry Sheehan-Smith of Andover; a daughter, Amy Morrissey and her husband Matt O'Rourke of Jamaica Plain, and Laura Morrissey of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two sisters, Dianne and her husband Bill Adams of Stoneham, and Susan Newell of Palm Springs, Calif.; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Family and friends are invited to a memorial service this Saturday, July 23 at 11 a.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St., Andover.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Care, Inc., 41 Montvale Ave., Stoneham, MA 02180.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Dewhurst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Yvonne Moreau

Services are Friday for former resident

Yvonne (Sevigny) Moreau, 89, of Lawrence, formerly of

DEATHS
Hubert J. DeVeau, 80
Patrice Harrington, 46
Daniel J. Keleher, 83
Eugenie H. Moran, 91
Yvonne Moreau, 89
Joseph N. Peck, 87
Brian H. Smith, 48
John B. Surret, 70
Michael Allen Wareing, 55
Frederick E. Watt, 56

Andover, Florida, and Pelham, N.H., died Sunday, July 17, at the Kenoza Manor Convalescent Home in Haverhill.

She was the wife of the late Alfred Moreau.

Born in Ste. Eulalie, Quebec, Canada, on Sept. 9, 1915, she was a daughter of the late Louis and Alice (Richer) Sevigny.

Prior to retirement in 1980, she was employed at Western Electric Co.

Members of her family include three sons, Emanuel Albert Cote of Seabrook, N.H., Richard Robert Cote of Epping, N.H., and Christopher Moreau of Lawrence; two daughters, Janet Miller of St. Louis, and Joyce Rouff of Lawrence; a

brother, Gerard Sevigny of Dracut; 10 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased by a son, Robert Gagne.

A graveside service will be held tomorrow, Friday, at 10 a.m. at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Methuen.

Arrangements by Blake Funeral Home, 24 Worthen St., Chelmsford.

OBITUARIES ARE SUPPLIED BY FUNERAL HOMES AND FAMILY MEMBERS

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

KELEHER—Daniel J. Keleher, 83, of Methuen, died Saturday, July 16, at the Academy Manor Nursing Home in Andover.

MORAN—Eugenie H. (Conroy) Moran, 91, a longtime North Andover resident, died Saturday, July 16, at the Nevins Nursing and Rehabilitation Centre in Methuen. Members of her family include a brother, Herbert Conroy of Andover.

PECK—Joseph N. Peck, 87, of Methuen, formerly of Haverhill, died at his residence on Sunday, July 17. Members of his family include his son, James J. Peck of Andover.

SURRETT—John B. Surret, 70, of Goose Rocks Beach, Maine, died Saturday afternoon, July 16, at Southern Maine Medical Center. Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Stephen Ishihara of Andover.

WAREING—Michael Allen Wareing, 55, a resident of Tewksbury for 26 years, died Thursday, July 7, after a long struggle with renal cell carcinoma. Mr. Wareing worked at Raytheon in Andover for 13 years, leaving to become an engineering manager at MA/COM.

OBITUARIES

The *Townsmen* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

Questions? Call Jack Grady or Neil Fater at 978-475-7000.

Hubert J. DeVeau

Born in Andover

Hubert J. DeVeau, 80, of Merrimac, died at his home on Tuesday, July 12, after a lengthy illness.

Born in Andover, the son of the late Joseph and Etta (Comeau) DeVeau, he was a 1942 graduate of Haverhill High School and attended Wentworth Institute, Boston. He lived in Merrimac for the past 35 years.

He was a World War II veteran, serving in the Navy.

He was a member of Haverhill AMVETS 147, American Legion Wilbur Comeau Post, Plaistow Fish and Game Club and Church of the Nativity.

Mr. DeVeau was a millwright for Western Electric Co. in North Andover until 1981. He then drove busses for Whittier Regional Vo-Tech.

His hobbies included washing dishes at Al's Place on Primrose Street for the past 25 years, and riding his motorcycles.

He leaves his former wife, Ruth E. (Snow) of Barrington, N.H.; a companion of 25 years, Katherine Dowd of Florida; three sons, Hubert J. Jr. of New Hampshire, Joseph L. of New Jersey, and Gregory J. and his wife Carolyn, of Annapolis, Md.; four daughters, Cheryl A. Davis of Sandown, N.H., Juanita A. and her husband Gerard Marchand of Plaistow, N.H., Yvette T. DeVeau-Hurd of Northwood, N.H., and Simone R. and her husband Simon Thani of Methuen; three brothers, Donald L. of Atkinson, N.H., Conrad C. of Haverhill, Ralph P. of California; four sisters, Claire M. Abrams of Hampstead, N.H., Jeannette C.

ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

ual companies in the region.

50 Years Ago - 1955

If the town builds a four-room addition to the Shawshen School, there will be no state aid.

A new record was set at Pump's Pond this week. When Monday's swimming lesson for beginners began, 138 youngsters reported for instruction.

Deputy Fire Chief Henry L. Hilton has been named chief of the department.

More than 160 youngsters have signed up for the summer reading program at Memorial Hall Library.

No report has yet been issued on the state of Clark's Brook in Ballardvale. The state apparently is completing extensive tests of the water samples taken there, according to Dr. William V. Emmons, chairman of the Board of Health. It had been charged that the waters were polluted, particularly in the summer months.

The will of a prominent publisher, which left most of his \$475,000 estate to Phillips Academy, is being contested in probate court. Herbert P. Houghton filed intentions of contesting the document in Dedham, claiming that he is the only heir-at-law not mentioned in the will of Edward R. Houghton, of the Houghton-Mifflin publishing firm.

Concern over police protection in Shawshen after automatic traffic lights are installed was dispelled this week.

25 Years Ago - 1980

Yvon Cormier, developer of the Andover Country Club subdivision, has proposed a new plan to save a hill and "an awful lot of trees" in Section 2 of the 360-acre development, thus reducing the amount of gravel to be excavated from the site.

Vandals were apparently scared away from Girl Scout Camp Merry Meeting early Monday evening, but not until they had stolen or destroyed \$100 worth of archery equipment and caused an untold amount of other malicious damage. Vandals had emptied fire extinguishers inside some of the structures, broken windows and

locks, and gotten into the archery equipment.

Andover has been giving a helping hand to surrounding towns having problems with their groundwater supplies by selling water to those communities, the town manager told selectmen Monday night.

Officials at the Massachusetts Bankers Association would like to urge all citizens to redeem their pennies at their banks in order to relieve spot shortages of the coin in certain areas of New England. In fact, the shortage is not limited to this area, but is a nationwide phenomenon.

Lawrence General Hospital's Paul F. Donahue Special Care Nursery recently received state licensure from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The nursery is one of 12 licensed special-care nurseries in the state, and is the only one in Merrimack Valley.

"Every week in school should be like this!" This remark by one of the 36 students from Andover West Junior High School returning from Cape Cod summed up the entire group's sentiment. These students, under the leadership of Lester Taylor, Brian Stapples and Jay Darrin, had just finished a week on Cape Cod as part of Project AWARE (Andover West Activities in Recreational and Environmental Education).

Headmaster Theodore R. Sizer will leave Phillips Academy at the end of the next academic year - his ninth as Andover's headmaster. He then will lead a team of school people and university researchers in a two-year Study of High School, now in its planning stage.

A 115-year-old bell that for decades rang at the opening and closing of daily operations at the Ballardvale Mill in Andover will soon peal again at the Merrimack Valley Textile Museum in North Andover.

The Andover/North Andover YMCA will be offering the "Y's Way to a Healthy Back" program starting Monday. The program, designed primarily to relieve back pain, increase flexibility and ease tension, was designed by Hans Kraus, MD.

10 Years Ago - 1995

The School Committee interviewed the four finalists for the assistant superintendent position Tuesday and awaited the recommendation of Dick Neal, superintendent. The four finalists are Mary Ellen Correa, Donald Bevelander, Elsa Wasserman and Marinel McGrath (who was eventually the successful candidate).

Some Andover residents expressed concern this week about a plan by Bay State Gas Co. to dig up their houses. Mr. McQuade is not too happy about the gas company's plan to dig 147 holes on Hemlock Road, which was paved just two years ago, he said.

Andover Bancorp Inc. has announced that it has filed applications with the state of New Hampshire, the Federal Reserve System and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to request approval to charter a new subsidiary bank, Andover Bank, with proposed headquarters and banking office in Salem, N.H.

The Massachusetts Dental Society recently honored the Andover Department of Public Workers Water Filtration Plant for its efforts to maintain optimal fluoride levels in its water system during 1994. It was one of the top five fluoridation systems in the state.

Several breaks in town early this week are keeping police busy. A series of breaks reported in Shawshen Village Monday, July 10, may be the work of the same person or persons, according to police.

The July 4th weekend is known as a time for freedom, fireworks and...moving? Well, it is if you're Chip Will, owner of Learning Express. With the help of family, friends and staff, Will moved his business from its former location on Chestnut Street over to 32 Park St. The Park Street site once housed Buchika's Ski Shop.

Pike School third and fourth-grade teacher Christina C. Nicolson has been named a delegate to the White House Conference on the Future of Math and Science Education.

—Compiled by WHAT'S UP contributor Lauren Underhill

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Opinion

Financial incentive?

PREVIOUS EFFORTS to get approval for a senior or youth center have failed for a variety of reasons. But one of the sticking points often has been concern over how the town will pay to run the center after it has opened. Fiscally minded officials and townspeople alike worry that Andover will be forced to short-change education or other town services to light, heat and staff new or larger buildings.

As proponents of building new centers look to fine-tune their plans, perhaps officials can consider creative ways to fund new centers' operating budgets without carving a larger chunk out of the town's overall budget. For instance, officials might consider establishing a trust to pay for the operating expenses of a new center or centers. The interest from a large enough trust could pay for annual operating increases of a new center. Andover is set to receive more than \$2 million from its investment in its trash-disposal program. This money, combined with other donations, might go a long way to establishing such a trust.

Eliminating the worry of increased operating expenses might help bring together a larger and more diverse group to offer strong support for a new center or centers. It also might temper the finance-based criticism that has derailed some previous efforts, focusing attention on whether there is a need for a center.

Web question

Support paying relatives of elders?

Last week's *Andover Townsman* Web-site question was: The five-year-old Elderly Tax Aid Committee has never met. How do you think the town should proceed?

• 14, or 74 percent, said, "Disband the committee. I don't understand why the town would set up a committee that then would go five years without meeting."

• 5, or 26 percent, said, "Have the committee meet. It should be actively trying to raise money for the fund and establishing guidelines for who might qualify in the future."

• No one said, "Ask the senior center to oversee the fund. Workers there are actively involved with the affected community and could easily spread word of the committee and help raise money."

• No one said, "Do nothing. There's no need for the committee to meet until the fund reaches at least \$10,000. Any discussions at this point would be premature."

• No one said "Other."

This week's Web-site question is: **Do you support the new state law that will pay family members to provide home care to senior relatives?**

• Yes, I think seniors would rather live with family than go into a nursing home. Plus, it will save the state money in the long run.

• Yes. It's a good idea, but I worry that state-funded nursing homes will suffer as a result of less taxpayer support.

• No. It's a good idea in theory, but family members will not be able to provide the same emergency medical services that seniors often require.

• No. The state oversight to prevent fraud and ensure care probably will cost more than anticipated, and will not stop all fraud.

• No. The state-funded nursing homes are doing a good job. Let's not fix what isn't broken.

• Other.

To vote, surf to www.andovertownsman.com.

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Children from the Recreation Park Drop-In Playground play volleyball at the new court at Pumps Pond. PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

LETTERS

CONTRACEPTION

Pharmacists have duty

Editor, *Townsman*:

With reference to the *Townsman's* front page article regarding the emergency contraception being proposed and supported by our local legislators ("Local legislators - but not all pharmacists - back bill," July 14).

It is my understanding a qualified pharmacist will dispense or sell medications authorized for medical support by the appropriate government authorities. Failure to do so shows that the pharmacist is derelict in his duty or is using some sort of imagined higher authority to refuse to dispense certain medications.

If Shawn McKallagat believes he has a "civil" right to refuse to dispense specific (and medically approved) medications, for whatever purpose they may have to support a person in medical need, then he also has no right to call himself a pharmacist and should not be working as an pharmacist/owner or employed by others as a pharmacist.

It would appear to me that McKallagat is expressing a religious opinion (which is not very "civil") in a country with a multitude of diverse religions. He has no right to force his opinions or beliefs on me, his customers or anyone else.

I would expect Letourneau Pharmacy to rescind its position on this matter in the *Andover Townsman* and firmly state that it will honor and dispense any authorized prescription or medication in the future.

Failure to do so will cause me and others to refuse to do business with such a firm.

Richard A. Pangonis
30 Linda Road

Appalled over military access

Editor, *Townsman*:

I would like to add my support to Michael Kempster's open letter to the Andover High School guidance department published on July 7. I also recently discovered that the Bush administration's No Child Left Behind Act requires schools receiving federal money to provide military recruiters with full access to students' information. I was appalled that this information was not made more accessible to parents at a much earlier date.

Fortunately, there are grass root organizations such as www.leavemychildalone.org providing students and parents with information on how to "opt out."

Holly Muscolino
1 Pine Cone Lane

Sentimental journey for hall



Bill Dalton

During my first year as a selectman in 1983, I casually mentioned to Town Manager Ken Mahony that my father often spoke fondly of the hall that used to be on the second floor of the Town Hall.

My father had said that his class at Punchard High School held their graduation ceremonies as well as school dances there. He had described the space as "covered up" for municipal office-space use.

Less than a year later, Mahony, working with the selectmen, developed a grand design for the new municipal office space in the old Punchard High School and junior high next to the Park. Not only would the municipal and school offices be located there, there would also be a senior citizen center. Additionally, the Park would be rehabilitated.

By close vote, the town had decided in the mid '60s to save the old Town Hall. By the 1980s, Mahony and the selectmen believed there was strong public sentiment that the building should be preserved. However, the hardest part of Mahony's plans was what to do with the Town Hall. Mahony, a burly, middle-aged man who wore a crew-cut when no one else did, was blunt and brilliant. He had a keen, if sometimes misguided, sense of humor. From this selectman's perspective, he had extraordinary vision, thorough financial skills, and provided excellent leadership to the town during his tenure. His grand design, when it was fully implemented, left the town with a fitting testimonial to his skills.

When he first presented the plan to the selectmen, he stated that the old Town Hall was going to be problematic in that it had no use that made practical or financial sense. He and the selectmen agreed that, given the financial boom of the '80s, the town could afford to proceed with the plan leaving questions about the old Town Hall to be answered in the next two or three years. Essentially, we made the decision to preserve the building for its historical character rather than its usefulness. The town meeting agreed with Mahony's

plans and Andover, which usually makes important decisions with caution or at a snail's pace, depending on one's perspective, had no trouble with the plan.

One day, after the plan had been partially implemented, Mahony called and mentioned to me that he'd been upstairs in the Town Hall and thought that the hall easily could be preserved. He thought there was going to be some money left over for that purpose when the grand plan was finished and continued by saying he'd remembered our conversation and wanted me to see something. He took me down to the Town Hall, and we walked upstairs and looked around. There were three or four steps leading up to the old stage that had been in the hall of the Town Hall and we walked up there.

Using my imagination, I could see that the hall was still in good shape. The partitions that had been used to create the offices had been put up in a manner that appeared to be temporary, as if the people doing the construction didn't expect them to be there for long. The floor, the stage and the walls could be restored with little difficulty. I was getting more and more enthusiastic.

Mahony had saved the best for last. A ceiling had been hung by the workmen who had put in the partitions. It hid the upper part of the hall. Mahony said to go up the stairs and look above the ceiling. When I did, I saw the old chandeliers resting there, as if waiting to return to their rightful places. I wondered why the chandeliers had been so carefully stored. They were beautiful and valuable. Had someone had the foresight to think that someday people might want to restore the building? Nah, I thought, they probably didn't know what to do with them so had left them where they were (but yet they had been so very careful with them).

Mahony later mentioned that it was finding the chandeliers and seeing the magnificent condition they were in that had convinced him that the restoration of the old hall would be a good project.

Like the preservation of Town Hall, the restoration of the upstairs hall in the Town Hall could not be financially justified. Ken Mahony, a most pragmatic man, had a sentimental heart. He saved that hall.

Former selectman Dalton writes from Atlanta.

THE THURSDAY FILE

A hot dog at the ballpark is better than steak at the Ritz.

HUMPHREY BOGART

From the backstabbing co-worker to the meddling sister-in-law, you are in charge of how you react to the people and events in your life.

You can either give negativity power over your life or you can choose happiness instead. Take control and choose to focus on what is important in your life. Those who cannot live fully often become destroyers of life.

ANNAIS NIN

The grim fact is that we prepare for war like precocious giants, and for peace like retarded pygmies.

LESTER B. PEARSON

Give me the best instrument in Europe, but listeners who understand nothing or do not wish to understand and who do not feel with me in what I am playing, and all my pleasure is spoiled.

WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART

Emotions are the first language of the child and the universal language.

MARY GORDON

Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year.

RALPH WALDO EMERSON

Listening is a hard thing to do because most people listen for what they want to hear and when they hear it, they stop listening and can't wait to respond.

BILL TEBBENHOFF

The Einstein quotation

In art, and in the higher ranges of science, there is a feeling of harmony which underlies all endeavor. There is no true greatness in art or science without that sense of harmony.

Best quotation sent

Start where you are, use what you have, make something of it, and never be satisfied

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER

About 'Thursday File'

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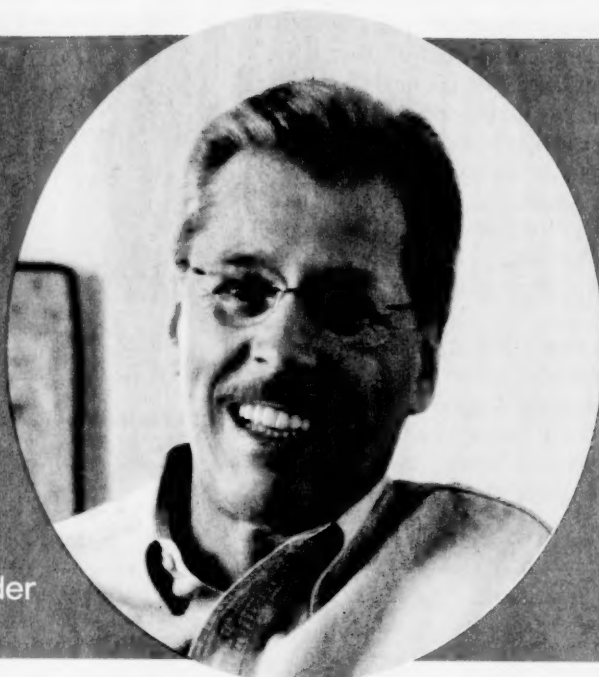


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Arts & Entertainment

Wild about Harry!

Fans of the Harry Potter series celebrate the latest book release in style during a midnight sale at Andover Bookstore

By Meredith L. Mooney
What's Up contributor

10 p.m., Friday, July 15. People in black witches' robes carrying magic wands are sprawled out on beach chairs under a street lamp in Diagon Alley. A half moon hovers above the treeline as the Harry Potter soundtrack blares from a nearby car. Shadows of pointed witches' hats appear in the lamp-lit Andover Bookstore window.

In only two more hours, the store's basement door will be thrown open and the Diagon Alley refugees will be invited inside to purchase Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince, J.K. Rowling's sixth and newest book in the Harry Potter series.

HARRY POTTER FANS ACROSS THE GLOBE had been eagerly anticipating the release of the sixth installment in the series.

How eagerly? Mike Reidy, 18, who will be attending Boston University this fall, arrived at the Andover Bookstore at 2 p.m. Friday and waited 10 hours to be the first person in line.

Although some people chose to preorder a copy of *The Half-Blood Prince* via online booksellers such as Amazon.com, many Andover residents such as Reidy were willing to wait in line for

hours at the local bookstore to purchase a copy. A line of approximately 250 people snaked through the parking lot behind the store on Friday. The wait might have been long, but the costumed bookstore employees made it worthwhile.

Before entering the bookstore basement, where the books were being sold, customers passed under the word "Diagon," which was

written in huge letters on the brick wall outside. This graffiti referred to Rowling's "Diagon Alley," a cobblestone street with magical storefronts where witches and wizards purchase their magic supplies of wands, owls and broomsticks.

Once inside Andover Bookstore, customers encountered a variety of creatures, including two owls, a large and exotic bullfrog and a family of mice. Any student at Hogwarts, the fictitious, but ever-so-prestigious school of wizardry and magic in England, would be happy to have one of those critters as a pet.

Even though customers were relieved to purchase their copies of Harry, Round 6, the real excitement and fun occurred during the hours just before midnight.

Children dressed in Hogwarts uniforms, capes and witches' hats paraded around the parking lot, while their parents chatted in line. Sarah Knowles' mother made her daughter's costume, a pale blue dress equipped with a royal blue-crested cape and matching bag, specially for the occasion. Sarah, a 9-year-old fourth-grader at South Elementary School, is a self-proclaimed Harry Potter fanatic. While waiting with her family and friends, Sarah was gushing "wizard history" and offering deep insight into each character's dis-

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▲ Top photo: From left, Hannah Stitzen, Fiona Dooley, Lizzie Stitzen and Bonnie Domigan pose in Harry Potter fan wear.

▲ At left, an owl turns to see what all the Midnight Madness is about, held by trainer and rehabilitator Robyn Reiner of Drumlin Farm in Lincoln, Mass. Her son, Jeff Reiner, looks on.



What all the Harry Potter fans have been waiting for... a prized copy of the latest from J.K. Rowling, *Harry Potter and The Half-Blood Prince*. The book went on sale at midnight last Friday night, and 250 local fans came to Andover Bookstore, where employees kept things stirred up (below). Professor McGonagall (Karen Harris) and a Dementor (Susan Lenoe) greet fans with face painting and stories.



EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday, July 21

College search workshop, for incoming AHS freshman and sophomores and their parents, to help define the timeline of the search process and the role teachers and guidance counselors can provide, with tips on keeping standardized testing in proper perspective, setting priorities that allow for discovery of interests inside and outside of school, and clarifying what the student does and does not need to be thinking about during the first two years of high school, 6:30-8:30 p.m., \$28, Andover High School, 80 Shawsheen Road; register at the Department of Community Services 978-623-8274.

Side by Side by Sondheim, the Andover High School Drama Guild will present its summer show, a musical review featuring students in grade 11 and "beyond," including recent AHS alumni, 8 p.m., \$10, tickets available 6-9

p.m. daily at the box office or at the door on performance dates, Collins Center for the Arts, 80 Shawsheen Road; 978-623-8666.

Jazz in July, the Rogers Center for the Arts continues its summer series of open-air jazz concerts with the Boston-based Mark Shilansky Quartet, who will present several jazz styles reflecting the wide variety of vocalists that Shilansky has worked with, featuring Mark on keys and percussion and vocals, and his brother Neil Shilansky on drums and vibraphone, James Pisano on sax, and Tim Webb on bass, 6:30 p.m., free, on the Rogers Center patio, in event of rain, the concert will move inside to the lobby, Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; 978-837-5355.

The New England Weavers Seminar, an event hosted in alternate

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Drawing from inspiration

GLEC's literary magazine encourages middle-school students' self-expression

By Alessandra Siraco
What's Up contributor

ANDOVER RESIDENT Michelle Krupnik, a soon-to-be seventh-grader, aspired to write a poem that would help people realize that they have nothing to be afraid of in the dark.

"You create things in the dark with your mind," she says, but those things can be happy creations just as easily as they can become nightmares. Her poem, "Dream: Good or Bad," addresses her experience at a sleepover where everyone was skittish once the lights were turned off.

"The dark is your mind, and your dream," the poem reads. It was one of dozens of works published in the June edition of *AppleSauce*, a children's literary magazine published by the Greater Lawrence Educational Collaborative and meant to encourage self-expression. The magazine features writing, drawings and photographs by middle-school students from Andover, Lawrence, North Andover and Methuen.

AppleSauce allowed Michelle, who attends Wood Hill Middle School, to share her work with other dreamers out there. She had read previous issues of *AppleSauce* and was interested in it, she says.

Michelle says she loves tennis and hanging out with her

friends. But there's another side to her that *AppleSauce* showed — the side that muses, "poetry means different things to different people ... it's unique in its own way."

Alec Weiss, a sixth-grader from Andover, also saw his poem in *AppleSauce*. As part of a required school report, he was inspired to write "John Coltrane" because Coltrane is his favorite jazz musician. "I wanted to relate it to something that I do. I play the saxophone," says Alec.

"I really didn't like writing when I was (younger) because I was terrible at spelling," says Alec. But now, he says he enjoys writing creatively, saying he can "pick up any topic and write for a long time about it."

An avid sports, music, and dog lover, Alec says of his writing that he likes "seeing what comes out ... I like looking at what I've created." He advises others that "poetry can't be fake."

Much like Alec, Andover resident Alex Schwartz was required to write his poem, "Junk Drawer," for an English class. It was also published in *AppleSauce*. He's been writing since kindergarten because he wants to "explain and to inform and have fun doing it." Writing "helps me to understand things better," he explains. "If you write, you can often write freely and make up sto-

submit it to *AppleSauce*. Like many young writers featured in the magazine, Ben had never had his work published before that.

"Earth is strength and peace," his first published poem reads, later continuing "water is mystery and freedom." In his time aside from writing, Ben also likes to hang out with his friends. However, this ninth-grader has a deeper layer than what some might attribute to a stereotypical teenager.

When asked for a last thought, he replies, "Write what you mean, because if you don't, it's never going to sound right."

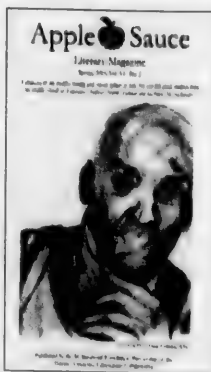


Alex Schwartz wrote his poem "Junk Drawer" about the organized chaos in front of him. The poem was published in the latest issue of *AppleSauce*.



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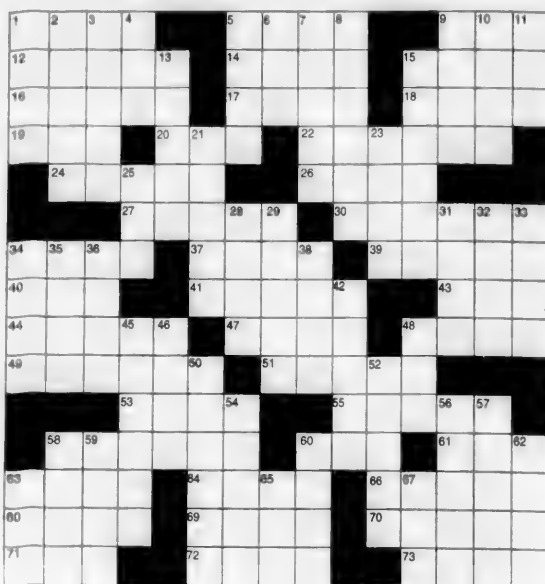
Tomorrow, Friday, from 7-9 p.m., there will be an artists' reception for "Plein Air Plus," sponsored by the Newburyport Art Association and featuring works by members (front row, pictured from left) Cynthia Cooper, Susan Spellman, Julie Alroldi, Susan Jaworski-Stranc; (back row) Bob Gertz, Dan Shaw, Carol Reynolds, Marjet Lesk, Janet Sutherland and Bud Smith. The show, on display through Aug. 3, includes watercolors, oils, acrylics and other media, and is free and open to the public at the NAA galleries, 65 Water St., Newburyport. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Call 978-465-8769 for more information.



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CLUES ACROSS

1. At the peak
5. What's Hoover
9. Capture
12. Coffee
14. Seat
15. A large constellation
16. Added
17. Sikorsky, for one
18. Gaudy
19. No (Scottish)
20. Beverage
22. Canada's capital
24. Take by theft
26. Hence
27. To make holy
30. Turkey's capital
34. Stain
37. Soft drink
39. Moses' elder brother
40. A long thin implement
41. Tired
43. Time of the 90th meridian
44. Giant in "Princess Bride"
47. Dutch cheese
48. Form of "thou"
49. Craving
51. A way to bust up
53. Digs
55. Weight units
58. Digestive juice
60. A way to ask for
61. Black tropical American cuckoo
63. Monetary unit of Iran



64. Showing sound judgment
66. Expressed pleasure
68. Otherwise
69. Long mucilaginous green pods
70. Province of S. Africa
71. Charge
72. Close by
73. Pelt

CLUES DOWN

1. Arabian Gulf
2. American state
3. Eighter from Decatur
4. Score
5. Continent
6. Bounder
7. Walking
8. Former first lady
9. Forehead
10. Largest known toad species
11. Supreme being
13. Terminal
15. American state
21. Make a choice
23. Bluefin, for one
25. Move away
28. Achy
29. Slither
31. Bend
32. Kennedy mom
33. Stake
34. Nail
35. Only
36. ___ and ends
38. Essential oil
42. A way to act
45. A way to move smoothly
46. Geological times
48. Golf tool
50. Inventor
52. Babylonian earth god
54. Viper
56. Christine ___, actress
57. Samuel Jackson ___, US golfer
58. Heap
59. Freedom from difficulty
60. Have rightfully
62. Baseless
63. Arbitrator
65. Gun grp.
67. To exclaim with delight

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years by 15 guilds and study groups, is meeting at Merrimack College through July 24, in a conference for weavers called "Inter-lacements in Andover." The public is invited to visit the exhibition and vendor areas in the Sakowich Campus Center; information on materials and classes available; call for times and prices; Penny LaRaia 603-648-2375 or www.newenglandweaversseminar.com.

Friday, July 22

Hello, Dolly!, the Merrimack Valley Players will present this legendary comedy, a "whirlwind race around New York at the turn of the twentieth century, as we follow the adventures of America's most beloved matchmaker," a role written originally for the inimitable Ethel Merman, 8 p.m., \$20, \$18 seniors 65 and older and children under 12, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; 978-837-5355.

Artists' reception, "Plein Air Plus," sponsored by the Newburyport Art Association and featuring works by members J.C. Airola, Cynthia Cooper, Bob Gertz, Marjet Lesk, Carol Reynolds, Dan Shaw, Bud Smith, Susan Spellman, Janet Sutherland and Susan Jaworski-

Stranc, including watercolors, oils, acrylics and other media, free and open to the public, 7-9 p.m., on display through Aug. 3, NAA galleries, 65 Water St., Newburyport; gallery hours, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; 978-465-8769.

Side by Side by Sondheim, Collins Center, 8 p.m., see July 21 entry.

Saturday, July 23

Shawsheen river cleanup, join members of the Shawsheen River Watershed Association to help with the annual cleanup of one mile of the Andover section of the river, from the Stevens Street Bridge to the Balmoral Dam in Shawsheen Village, followed at noon by a picnic (free for workers), hosted by members of the Washington Park Residents Association, 8:45 a.m., meet at the east parking lot at Marland Place, 15 Stevens St.; Bob Rauseo 978-851-9505 or bbotter@aol.com.

Master painter workshop, a watercolor plein air workshop by Dominic DiStefano, sponsored by the North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, attend one or all three consecutive days (Saturday, Sunday, or Monday), 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$60 per day for members, \$70 per day non-members, 11 Pirate's Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Side by Side by Sondheim, Collins Center, 8 p.m., see July 21 entry.

Hello, Dolly!, Rogers Center, 2 and 8 p.m., see July 22 entry.

Sunday, July 24

Country blues, Newburyport-based Roll and Tumble will perform their "exuberant brand" of country blues, 2-6 p.m., no cover charge, Powow River Grille, 33 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-2300.

Monday, July 25

College career night, featuring career opportunities in health care, hospitality, criminal justice and paralegal studies, with program coordinators, faculty, financial aid and admissions staff available to discuss requirements and support available, 6:15-8 p.m., in the atrium at the Lawrence campus of Northern Essex Community College, 45 Franklin St., Lawrence; 978-556-3600.

Tuesday, July 26

Networking with Merrimack Valley Chamber, the region's largest chamber serving members throughout the Merrimack Valley, will hold a "Garden Party," a business networking mixer hosted by Blaire House of Tewksbury and featuring

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By Neil Fater and Don Mathias



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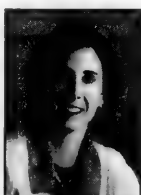
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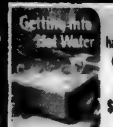
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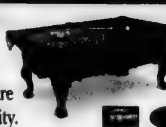
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hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and door prizes, 5-7 p.m., members \$10 per person with guest for \$5 additional, non-members \$20, and the event is open to the public, Blaire House, 10 B Erin Terrace, Tewksbury; 978-686-0900.

Live music, award-winning keyboardist, composer and producer Eric Goldberg and his Trio perform, 7-10 p.m., no cover charge, Powow River Grille, 33 Main St., Amesbury; 978-388-2300.

Wednesday, July 27

Concert in the Park, the free summer series continues with the Mike Finegold Quartet, 6-8 p.m., free, in the Park, corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, bring blankets or

chairs and picnic suppers; in the event of rain on Wednesday, the concert will be held the next day, Thursday, call the DCS weather line after 3 p.m. for weather updates 978-623-8279; Mary Donohue 978-623-8273.

"Living Well" for seniors, an inspirational presentation that will change the way attendees look at day-to-day life, sponsored by Marland Place and Hospice of the North Shore, free and open to the public, but space is limited, and pre-registration is suggested, 2 p.m., the Community Room at Marland Place, 15 Stevens St.; Michelle Muller 978-475-4225.

Funny Face, the Summer Classic Film Series at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College in North Andover continues with the 1957 comedy starring Audrey Hep-

burn and Fred Astaire, in which Hepburn plays Jo Stockton, who can only get to Paris to meet the beatnik founder of the kooky philosophy she admires by agreeing to model a line of ultra-chic fashions for photographer Dick Avery, with Paris as the stunning backdrop and a blend of Gershwin music and Givenchy fashions; 8 p.m., free, commentary by Amy Klayman prior to film at 7:30 p.m., along with refreshments; 978-837-5355.

Thursday, July 28

House lecture, the Trustees of Reservations group hosts "A Midsummer Evening at the Stevens-Coolidge Place," featuring a picnic supper on the lawn followed by a lecture by renowned architectural historian Richard Guy Wilson, author of *The Colonial Revival House*, which prominently features the Stevens-Coolidge house, 5-6:45 p.m. picnicking, followed at 7 p.m. by the lecture presentation, \$20 for members of the Trustees, \$25 for non-members, box suppers must be ordered by July 22, Stevens-Coolidge Place, Andover Street, North Andover; 978-356-4351.

More Jazz in July, the Rogers Center for the Arts concludes its summer series of open-air jazz concerts with the Brazilian Jazz Trio El Eco featuring drummer-composer Guillermo Nojchowitz, an ensemble that combines the sweet swaying tempos of Brazil with some of the exciting rhythms of Argentina and Uruguay, 6:30 p.m., free, on the Rogers Center patio, in event of rain, the concert will move inside to

the lobby, Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College, 315 Turnpike St., North Andover; 978-837-5355.

Friday, July 29

Gallery opening reception, the Annual Resident Artists' Exhibition provides a showcase for the 14 artists at the Brush Art Gallery and Studios, including the work of two Andover residents, Carol Boileau and Betsy Wish, and in multiple media, particularly painting, textile design, pottery, glass design, photography, printmaking, and weaving, reception 6-8 p.m., free and open to the public, exhibit on display through September 11, regular hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday noon to 4 p.m., Brush Art Gallery and Studio, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819 or visit the Web site www.thebrush.org.

A Voice of My Own, a story about the passion of past women writers written by Eleanor Jones and subtitled "A special evening with Nan Webber & Company," will be presented by six actors and a musician, 7:30 p.m., \$15, North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, 11 Pirate's Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Artist workshop, an acrylic-oil plein-air workshop by Charles Gruppe, sponsored by the North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, attend one or all three consecutive days (Friday, Saturday, or Sunday), 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$60 per day for members, \$70 per day non-

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Mike Reiley, the first to purchase the new Harry Potter book at 12:01 a.m. Saturday at Andover Bookstore, had waited patiently in line since 2 p.m. on Friday.

Books flying out of the store like brooms!

HARRY POTTER EVENT

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position, proclaiming Fleur Delacour as her favorite character because of her self-confidence. "Fleur really knows who she is, she's not floating like the others," said Sarah.

Rachel Otis, an 18-year-old student at Wheaton College and former Andover resident, traveled all the way from Maine to attend the event with her Andover friends and catch a

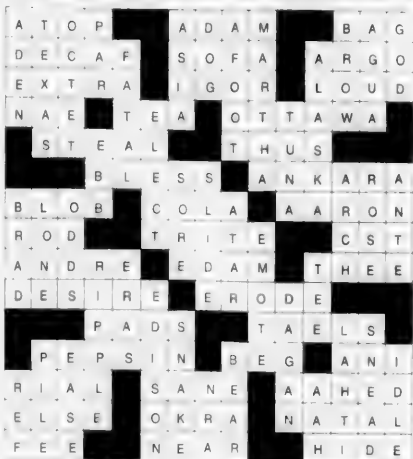
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The Harry Potter summer soiree, deemed the "social event of the season" by one happy crowd member, seemed to be a true family event.

According to the bookstore staff, the last people to purchase a copy of *The Half-Blood Prince* said they really enjoyed the wait.

In total, about 350 books were sold in the hour or so after the midnight unveiling

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members, 11 Pirate's Lane, Gloucester; 978-283-1857.

Saturday, July 30

No events listed.

Sunday, July 31

No events listed.

Ongoing

Summer Activities

Summer concert series, the free summer series. Wednesdays, July 27 featuring the Mike Finegold Quartet, 6-8 p.m., free, at The Park, corner of Bartlet and Chestnut streets, bring blankets or chairs and picnic suppers; in the event of rain on Wednesday, the concert will be held the next day, Thursday, call the DCS weather line after 3 p.m. for weather updates 978-623-8279; future concerts: Aug. 3 - Four Guys in Tuxes (requests); Aug. 10 - Rico Barr & The Jump Jive Review; Aug. 17 (final show) - Mill City Jazz; Mary Donohue 978-623-8273.

Pomps Pond, the pond is open daily for the season; daily fees \$5 per person, resident season stickers \$75 or \$30 for senior citizens, Pond View concession stand open daily, hours through July 31: noon-7 p.m.; Aug. 1-14: noon-6 p.m.; swim lessons begin July 11 through Aug. 25, 11:15 a.m. - noon, off Abbot Street; 978-623-8273.

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art.



Through Sept. 11 at the Brush Art Gallery, the Annual Resident Artists' Exhibition, including the work of Andover residents Carol Boileau and Betsy Wish, is on display. Meet the 14 resident artists next Friday, July 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. The reception and show are free and open to the public. The exhibit's regular hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., at Brush Art Gallery and Studio, 256 Market St., Lowell. Call 978-459-7819, or visit the Web site www.thebrush.org.

Eye on the Collection: Copley to Hopper. Selections from the Addison's extensive permanent collection including more than 40 landscapes, cityscapes, still-lives and portraits that span 200 years of the richness and complexity of Ameri-

can art, through July 31; **Over + Over: Passion for Process**, through July 31, two- and three-dimensional works by artists whose extreme craft combines ordinary materials and traditional hobbies and craft skills to create extraordinary works;

Classic Modern: Art Deco Silver from the Collection of John P. Axelrod, through July 31, highlighting the breadth and novelty of design in Art Deco silver, with designs drawn from the particulars of American life — trains and skyscrapers, prohibition and urban living, jazz music and Hollywood

movies; **Art and Craft**, through July 31, featuring works from the Addison's permanent collection, Art and Craft acknowledges the integral relationship between hand and mind, necessity and idea, maker and product that is embodied in the decorative arts; Gallery hours Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1-5 p.m., free admission, Addison Gallery of American Art, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4015, www.addisongallery.org.

Alpers Fine Art of Andover, through Aug. 21, "Warm Winds, Cool Waters," an exhibition of oil paintings, pastels and watercolors by seven artists and several familiar Alpers exhibitors, gallery hours Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 2 Main St.; 978-470-0013 or www.alpersfineart.com.

Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology, Objects and their Meanings: Historical Highlights of the Peabody, displays ethnographic objects from museum's collections of North and South America and a series of photographs that illustrate the activities of the museum's key people during the last century; Tuesday through Saturday, noon-5 p.m., by appointment only, free admission, Phillips Academy campus, 175 Main St.; 978-749-4490.

Arthur Griffin Museum of Photography, Tuesday-Sunday, noon-4 p.m., \$5 admission, \$2 seniors, members and children under 12 free, Thursday admission is free all day, 67 Shore Road, Winchester; 781-729-1158, www.griffinmuseum.org.

Brush Art Gallery, the Annual Resident Artists' Exhibition, including the work of two Andover residents, Carol Boileau and Betsy Wish, free

and open to the public, exhibit on display through Sept. 11, regular hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., Brush Art Gallery and Studio, 256 Market St., Lowell; 978-459-7819 or visit the Web site www.thebrush.org.

COOL Gallery, exhibit hours Tuesday and Thurs. 1-5 p.m., COOL Gallery, 338 Market St., Lowell; Cultural Organization of Lowell 978-446-7162

Gallery 181, Cotton Weaving House, 181 Canal St., Lawrence; through July 30: **Water and Color**, featuring works by Valerie Borgal (watercolor), Judith Larmay (watercolors) and Rosalind Primmer (photography); Jim Primmer 978-688-4544.

Robert Lehman Art Center at Brooks School, gallery hours Tuesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; 978-725-6232.

Whistler House Museum of Art, Wednesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, 243 Worthen St., Lowell; 978-452-7641.

Churchill Gallery, an exhibition of landscapes by award-winning artists Robert Scott Jackson and Dennis Sheehan, gallery hours are Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday noon-5 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport; 978-462-9891.

Essex Art Center, through Aug. 19: in the Main Gallery, "Faith in Art" featuring Latino artists Claudia Arcia, Federico Bachman, Raquel Bauman, Jairo Cruz, Pan Goncalves, Norma Lopez, Cecilia Mendez, Leida Montanez, Gabriela Perez-Fiato; in the Elizabeth A. Beland Gallery, "Time Spells" by sculptor and installation artist Patricia Tinajero-Baker; gallery hours

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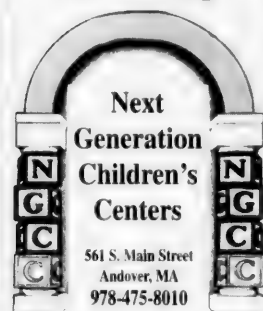
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The Spanish ship "San Carlos" landed in San Francisco Bay in 1776. The city was founded as a Spanish colony and mission named Yerba Buena.

It changed its name to San Francisco in 1846 when it became part of the United States.

San Francisco has a rich history. It has been the gateway for many people from Asia to immigrate to America. It was a gold rush town for a time. It has been struck by fires and earthquakes but has thrived despite them.

In the 1960s San Francisco was the center of the "hippie" counterculture and is home to the famous Haight, Ashbury intersection.

San Francisco's rich history has helped to make it one of the United States' most beautiful and unique cities. The Kid found that San Francisco's best attractions include:



The famous Golden Gate bridge in San Francisco is painted red.

Francisco's world-famous street performers.

San Francisco Zoo

The San Francisco Zoo has a diverse collection of wildlife from all over the world. It is in the process of upgrading all its facilities and has just finished its new African Safari section.

The zoo got its start almost 100 years ago. William Randolph Hearst (owner of the San Francisco newspaper at that time) bet one of his reporters that grizzly bears were extinct in California. The reporter spent five months in the wilderness. He finally caught and brought back to San Francisco a grizzly bear named Monarch.

Match these famous bridges to their location.

Golden Gate	Thailand
Tower Bridge	San Francisco
Ponte Vecchio	Italy
Tsing Ma	Australia
River Kwai	Hong Kong
Sydney Harbour	Scotland
Forth Rail Bridge	New York City
Brooklyn Bridge	London

Newspaper activity

Find 10 words in the newspaper that begin with the letter G.

Put the 10 words in alphabetical order.

Divide the 10 words into syllables. Do you understand the meaning of all 10 words? If not, can you figure out the meaning from the context? Use a dictionary to look up the meanings of any words you don't know.

Golden Gate Bridge

The Golden Gate Bridge is one of the world's most beautiful bridges. Each year about nine million people visit the bridge. Golden Gate is a suspension bridge. It is 90 feet wide and almost 2 miles long including the approaches.

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Memorial Hall Library. Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m.; 978-623-8400, www.mhl.org.

McQuade Gallery, located in the McQuade Library at Merrimack College, gallery hours same as library hours: Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-midnight, Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 11 a.m.-midnight, call to confirm hours, free admission; 978-837-5000.

Sakowich Campus Center, at Merrimack College, the Fireside and first floor lounges, call for hours; 978-837-5000, Ext. 4205.

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Center, Whittier Court; 978-623-8321.

Lorica Artworks, gallery specializing in original fine art from Ireland and America, featuring the largest collection of original fine art from Ireland in the Boston area, presents a collection of paintings by Irish artists celebrating the regions of Ireland and their intrinsic beauty, including Arthur O'Callaghan's paintings; gallery hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, noon-4 p.m. Sunday, as

well as by appointment; free admission, handicap access; 90 Main St.; 978-470-1829.

Walsingham Gallery, works by artists J.C. Airolidi, Robert Douglas Hunter, Jean Lightman, Elizabeth M. Leary, John Daniel Phillips, Frank Strazzulla Jr., and others; gallery hours Monday, Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., closed Tuesdays, 47 Merrimack St., Newburyport; 978-499-4411 www.thewalsingham-gallery.com.

Montserrat College of Art Gallery, Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 11 a.m.-noon, and by appointment, Carol Schlosberg Alumni Gallery, 23 Essex St., Beverly; 978-921-4242, Ext. 1319.

Evos Arts Gallery, free, 98 Middle St., Lowell; 978-441-9906, www.evosaurs.com.

Flint Memorial Library, 147 Park St., North Reading; 978-664-4942, www.flintmemoriallibrary.org.

Churchill Gallery, Monday-Wednesday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 6 Inn St., Newburyport, 978-462-9891.

The State of the Art Gallery and Sculpture Garden, Rocky Neck Art Colony, Gloucester; 978-463-8883.

Cape Ann Historical Museum, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 27 Pleasant St., Gloucester; 978-283-0455.

The Saltbox Gallery, gallery hours, Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 49 Main St., Topsfield; 978-887-3844.

Nevins Memorial Hall, 305 Broadway, Methuen; 978-686-4080.

J. David Broudo Gallery of Art, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St.

(Route 127) Beverly; 978-232-2250.

Revolving Museum, "Signs of Life" is a cave environment, the product of some 76 student artists from the Lowell public schools, created over a period of 6 months and inspired by the cave paintings of Lascaux and Altamira but conveying the symbols and messages of modern day kids, on display through Aug. 21; "Family Life," a display exploring the theme of family life, also open through Aug. 21; audiences will be taken on a journey through a variety of innovative artworks that explore issues like pollution control and spirituality through nature, artist-driven museum, dedicated to presenting public art, exhibitions, educational programs, gallery hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 22 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-937-2787.

Laura Coombs Hills Gallery, on display through July 13, Peggy Omer's one-woman show featuring more than 50 works from the past three decades of her career, including watercolors and Giclee prints of landscapes, still lifes, florals and seascapes; gallery hours: Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 65 Water St., Newburyport; 978-670-9102, www.newburyportart.org.

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Ayer Lofts Art Gallery, a cooperative artist space in Lowell, Thursday, 6-9 p.m., Friday, Saturday, Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 172 Middle St., Lowell; Mandy Shear 617-335-0230 or ayerlofts.com/exhibits.

River Gallery, Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 4 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1559.

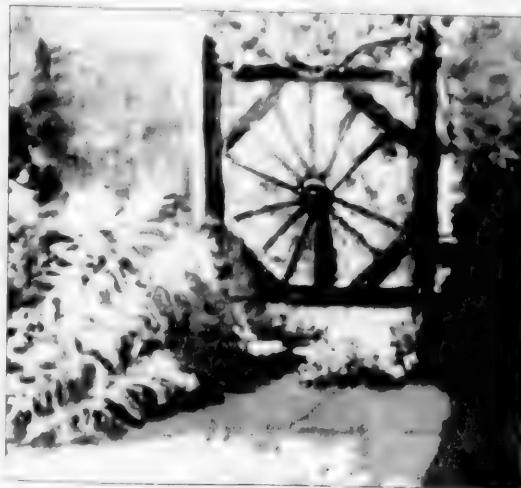
Ocmulgee Pottery & Fine Crafts, gallery hours Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturdays 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 26 Market St., Ipswich; 978-356-1298.

Crescent Dragon Gallery, 59 Washington St., Haverhill; www.gallery-oni.homestead.com/1.html.

Newburyport Art Association, Sargent Gallery and the Hartson Gallery (upstairs), Laura Coombs Gallery, hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 66 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769.

North Shore Arts Association of Gloucester, featuring sculptures, paintings, 11 Pirate's Lane, Gloucester, regular hours Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m., including holidays; 978-283-1857.

Erich Gallery, featuring "Reflections," paintings of Jan Peng Wang, who creates paintings that are both classical and contemporary, using the figure, still-life, flowers or anything else that captures his imagination, through August 23, gallery hours Tuesday through Saturdays,



"Toll House Gate," an oil painting by Dan Shaw, is one of the works on display tomorrow, Friday, from 7 to 9 p.m. at the artists' reception for "Plein Air Plus," sponsored by the Newburyport Art Association and featuring works by its members. Call 978-465-8769 for more information.

10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Sunday, noon-5 p.m., 96 Washington St., Marblehead; 781-631-1202.

Newburyport Art Association, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, noon-5 p.m. Sunday, 65 Water St., Newburyport; 978-465-8769.

Theater

North Shore Music Theatre, the premier venue for musical theater on the North Shore, closed by fire on July 25, expects to reopen with

the production of *Abysinia*, the story of a young African-American woman's journey back to faith, featuring moving gospel, jazz and ragtime rhythms, various times, tickets \$40-63, also visit Web site for related free events, including "Meet the Theatre" events that offer the opportunity to meet the players; North Shore Music Theatre, 62 Dunham Road, Beverly; 978-232-7200 or visit www.nsmi.org for times, special events, and tickets.

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BOOK REVIEW

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

BY MARK TWAIN

Reviewed by John Chartier and James Caron

John and James review a classic book of summertime.

THERE ARE SEVERAL SUMMER BOOKS that will be forever emblazoned in American literary fame. Of them, there is one that is by far the easiest to relate to for millions of kids everywhere.

Not only has the novel crossed seemingly impenetrable time barriers, but it has served to unite readers of all ages. *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* is a classic story from one of America's greatest writers, and is one of the greatest examples of American literature to date.

Mark Twain, the author of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, is known most notably for two things: his outstanding novels, and his profound and often humorous quotes. Twain lived from 1835 to 1910. He led an interesting life, much of it spent in the far west and also near the Mississippi River. Needless to say, he was an interesting man with plenty of real-life experience to draw upon for use in his books.

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer is one of his finest works. It is a classic story of boyhood and coming of age. Tom and his well-known friend, Huckleberry Finn, live in St. Petersburg, Mo. The book takes snapshots of Tom's young life and compiles them into an exciting adventure story. It deals with schoolyard brawls, "playing pirates" on the mighty Mississippi, awkward (to say the least!) attempts at impressing girls, and exciting expeditions into caves.

Tom's shrewd personality lends itself to mischief. In one of the opening scenes, he tricks one of his neighbors into whitewashing his fence for him, a chore which is almost always dreaded. It is scenes like this that make *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* well worth the reader's time.

No author but Mark Twain could craft such a story, which utilizes elements of nearly every book written. There are episodes of love, suspense (a lot of that), humor (even more of that), and just all-around fun.

This is a book that we recommend that all readers, especially boys, read at some point. Even though it is from an entirely different era, it is astonishing how much the reader can identify with its themes today.

We give *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* a rare 10 out of 10. These perfect-scoring books are few and far between. Twain's dry humor and brilliant banter bring the characters of this colorful novel to life. Our one caution concerning this book is that after the first 20 pages, the reader will find it extremely hard to put down, possibly interfering with other activities like sleeping and eating. Readers have been warned.

For those who enjoy this book, and we're quite sure readers will, Twain's *Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* is of equal brilliance. Twain possessed an incredible gift when it came to novel writing, which is evident in any piece of literature he penned.

So head on down to a local bookstore or library today and pick up a copy of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*!

Happy reading and good luck playing pirates on the Mississippi.

ON CAMPUS

The University of Hartford announced its dean's list for spring 2005.

Lauren M. Feinberg of Andover has been named to the University of Hartford dean's list.

The following Andover residents recently graduated from Boston College.

Nicholas D. Berger graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in political science from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Melissa J. Currier

graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in communication from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Elizabeth M. Driscoll graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in accounting and finance from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

Catherine M. Hough graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in finance and accounting from the Wal-

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Maximum velocity

Speed training teaches students to get their bodies in ever-faster motion

By Rita Savard

GRINDING HIS FOOT into the turf, Daylan Ware crouches forward, taking his mark.

He and his partner, Lauren Pien, are tied together with 25 feet of bungee cord.

"Ready, set, go!" shouts a voice on the field, and Daylan sprints forward.

Five seconds later, Lauren is cued to follow. The force of her partner's stride, pulling her along by the bungee, launches her forward with accelerating speed.

School may be out for the summer, but the group of 31 students gathering at the Doherty Middle School field each week are sharpening their minds and bodies to a different kind of discipline: speed training.

Ranging in ages 7 to 17, the runners come to the agility endurance clinic with the hopes of becoming faster and — maybe — even rising above their peers on the field, the ice, the courts, or

wherever their sport of choice takes them. The clinic is sponsored by the Department of Community Services.

"There are certain positions in sports where it doesn't matter how good a player you are," says Kim Stamas, program coordinator at DCS. "You have to be fast and unless you have the speed, you're not going to go anywhere with the sport."

If a participant can make at least 8 of the 10 classes, adds Stamas, they should see a significant increase in velocity.

The resistance techniques, or plyometrics, demonstrated by Daylan, 10, and Lauren, 11, help teach quick bursts of speed, says Ken Brooks, director of the Northeast Speed Training program.

"The bungee cord pulls them 10 percent faster than they've ever run in their lives," says Brooks, whose own children's athleticism was the inspiration behind the speed-training pro-

gram.

Also a registered paramedic and certified personal trainer, Brooks was schooled in the science of speed training in Oregon and pioneered the techniques he learned there in Massachusetts 11 years ago.

Brooks says several of the exercises he encourages to quicken athletes' acceleration and lateral movements are now used by pro sports players in training.

There are eight different types of speed, says Brooks, and Northeast Speed Training's event course covers them all by experimenting

with "speed-enhancing gear" including parachutes, foot ladders and bungee cords.

Coaches keep times on each athlete's speed, monitoring individual progress over the five-week course.

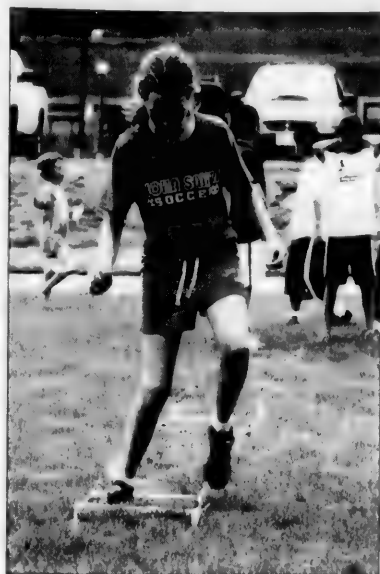
"We definitely give them a workout but we make it fun," said coach Ryan O'Sullivan. "How well anyone does depends on their commitment. We don't require people to make it to every class, but the ones who do typically see an improvement in their agility and overall performance."

Anyone can improve their speed with a little training, according to Brooks, who says his own experience with prepping young athletes has disproved "the myth that a person must be born fast in order to be fast."

"There are about 20 steps in the 40-yard dash," says Brooks. "We try to help our kids make it in 18."

Participants come to the training field with a broad background in sports, some playing on multiple teams.

"Usually I'm the one that's running up and down the (soccer) field," says Natalie Hubert, 13. "I thought this would be a great way to



Kristin Flynn trains by running through the foot ladders to improve her speed.

keep me in shape over the summer, and I'm hoping it makes me faster."

Daylan, who considers Red Sox centerfielder Johnny Damon the fastest player in baseball, says he's already noticed an improvement. The middle-schooler is quick to share his future aspirations: "to be faster than Damon."

"I think I'm already faster now than I was when I started," says Daylan, who began training last week.

Others, like Peter Banta, 8, have more immediate goals.

"There's a kid in my class who holds the record for the fastest runner, 5.2 seconds across the gym and back," says Peter. "I want to beat him."

Whatever the goal, Brooks says the coaches at Northeast Speed Training can help reach it.

"In most sports, the first 10 yards is the most important," Brooks says. "I've seen people go from average (skills) to breaking records, and have a lot of fun learning how to get there."



Daylan Ware and Lauren Pien are tied together with a bungee cord to help them run faster.



The need for speed: Peter Banta runs through the foot ladders.

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John A. Iorio graduated with a bachelor of science degree in finance from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

David B. Mazza graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in political science and philosophy from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Lynne M. McCumber graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in communication from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Jonathan W. Ofria graduated with a bachelor of science degree in general management from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

John M. Ristuccia graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in computer science from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Patrick B. Sullivan graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Christopher Therrien graduated cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in finance and accounting from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management.

Sean M. Toland graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in history from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Donovan Craig Bland, MD, a member of the Andover High School class of 1986, completed his residency in general surgery at Bay State Medical center in Springfield, Mass. last month.

After his graduation from Andover High, Bland earned a degree in business and marketing from Hampton University in Hampton, Va. in June 1990.

After graduation he was employed by Pfizer Pharmaceuticals Inc. in Hartford, Conn. After three years he returned to school at the University of Connecticut to complete his post-baccalaureate studies in science and pre-med. He was admitted to the University of Connecticut Medical School in 1996 and received his doctor of medicine degree in June 2000.

The Springfield resident is currently interviewing around the country for positions in general surgery.

His parents, Yvonne N. and Donald C. Bland, lived at 34 Lincoln Circle East Extension from 1984 until 1991.

Alan K. Clarke of Keystone Way, a 2002 graduate of Andover High School, recently completed his junior year at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga., with his 4.0 grade-point average still intact.

As a result, Clarke made the dean's list, the honor roll and retained the distinction of being the top-ranking GPA Scholar and the top-ranking Honors Program Scholar in the junior class.

During the past year, Clarke continued to serve as the president of the Upsilon Nu Chapter of the Sigma Tau Delta English

Honor Society.

Clarke also served as a research assistant for Dr. Linda Zatlín's catalogue raisonné of the 1,100 drawings of Victorian-era artist Aubrey Beardsley. He worked as a writing tutor in the Morehouse College writing lab for 15 hours a week. He also served as the copy editor of Morehouse College's *Maroon Tiger* newspaper, and won third-place honors for a features editorial story at the Georgia College Press Awards.

Clarke was recently promoted to the position of managing editor for his senior year. In this capacity, he will handle staff management, finances and advertising. He was selected to participate in the Credit Suisse First Boston Selective Scholars program, where he is matched up with a corporate mentor. This past February, he introduced esteemed Harvard professor Charles J. Ogletree Jr. at "A Candle in the Dark" gala, Morehouse's major annual awards ceremony and fundraiser.

Clarke was selected in April to represent Morehouse as a fellow in the Center for the Study of the Presidency program. During this program, he will present a project on the "Economic implications of the Darfur crisis" in Washington, D.C., to members of all three branches of the Federal Government.

Most recently, Clarke was inducted into the Delta of Georgia Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society.

The Andover Educational Association awarded \$1,000 scholarships to **Kristen Pinksten**, who will attend Georgetown University, and **Kayla Parker**, who will attend George Washington University.

The AEA scholarship is given each year to two graduating seniors who are the sons or daughters of AEA members.

The Andover Society annually recognizes five high school seniors from Andover for their commitment to community service, outstanding scholastic performance, and participation in extracurricular activities.

This year, Andover chose five graduates from the AHS class of 2005, each to receive a \$2,000 scholarship toward college in the fall. The scholarship winners were **Samantha Berger**, **Heather Flemming**, **Brian Hsieh**, **James Keith** and **Tracy O'Malley**.

Berger has been an active member of the Andover Youth Council. In 2005, she was awarded the "Outstanding Person" award at the Raise the Roof telethon. Berger also spends much of her time volunteering at the Merrimack Valley Samaritans suicide-prevention hotline, and the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club. She also maintains a part-time job at Royal Jewelers. Berger will attend George Washington University in the fall.

Flemming has been actively involved with Camp Sunshine and the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club. Her extensive work with the Samaritans' suicide-



From left are Andover scholarship winners James Keith, Tracy O'Malley and Brian Hsieh. Not present when the photo was taken: Samantha Berger and Heather Flemming.

prevention hotline has placed her on cable TV as a speaker for the Samaritans. Flemming has also coached field hockey with middle-schoolers and works part-time at the Andover Bookstore. Flemming will attend Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Hsieh graduated in the top 1 percent of his class. His success in math and science earned him a number of academic awards for excellence. He was selected as the president of the National Honor Society. He was the captain of both the Science Team and the Math Team. He has been very involved with the New England Chinese Youth Camp, and the Mass. Buddhist Youth Center. Hsieh also played for the AHS tennis team and the AHS winter track team. Hsieh will attend Columbia University in the fall.

Keith is the founder of the AHS Film Club. He has displayed his theatrical flair by participating as a crew member in AHS theatre productions of *Beauty and the Beast* and *The Little Shop of Horrors*. Keith has been active in many clubs and organizations. He has been a key member in the AHS Ping-Pong Club and the Bowling Club. Keith will attend Merrimack College this fall.

O'Malley graduated in the top 5 percent of her class at AHS. O'Malley excelled in English and history. She earned the Excellence in AP US History award in June. O'Malley has dedicated more than 250 hours as the creator and head coach of the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club swim team. She also works at the Thomson Country Club. O'Malley plans to attend Georgetown University this fall.

The scholarship recipients and their families attended the Andover Society annual dinner meeting at the Andover Wyndham Hotel on June 13, where their accomplishments were recognized and celebrated.

Rachel A. Hartman of Andover graduated with honors from Trinity College at the 179th commencement ceremonies held on Trinity's historic quadrangle in Hartford, Conn., on Sunday, May 22.

Hartman received a bachelor of arts degree, with a major in engineering. Hartman was also a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Johnson & Wales University students at the Providence campus have been named to the dean's list for the spring term ending in May.

Local dean's list students include **Sarah Gerry**, who is pursuing an associate degree in equine studies from the College of Business; and **Pinkesh Kumar Patel**, who is pursuing a bachelor of science degree in international business from the College of Business.

To receive dean's list commendation, students must earn a cumulative grade-point average of 3.40 or above.

Three residents from Andover received undergraduate degrees during UMass Boston's 37th commencement, held on June 4. The three who received undergraduate degrees are: **David E. Cohen**, political science; **Christopher J. King**, criminal justice; and **Zhihuan Weng**, computer science.

Northeastern University announced its spring semester dean's list, which ended in May. Students who distinguished themselves academically during the course of the school year were recognized. These students are:

Andrew Hackett, majoring in communication studies.

Alison Page, majoring in liberal arts - science.

Robert O'Neill, majoring in communication studies.

Andrea Manners, majoring in communication studies.

Lauren Underhill, majoring in journalism.

Brian O'Neill, majoring in information science.

Daniel Sofio, majoring in liberal arts - non-science.

Stephanie Casper, majoring in communication studies.

Michael Shafik, majoring in business administration.

Kelly Crawford, majoring in environmental geology.

Danielle Madigan, majoring in music.

John Rucker, majoring in communication studies.

Michael Cronin, majoring in architecture.

Shannon Sweeney, majoring in cardiopulmonary sciences.

Jason Durant, majoring in mechanical engineering.

On Tsang, majoring in electrical engineering.

To achieve the dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality-point average of 3.25 or greater out of a possible 4.0, and carry no single grade lower than a C during the course of their college career.

Each student receives a letter of commendation and congratulation from their college dean.

Tyler Prudden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Prudden of Andover, received a bachelor of arts degree in environmental studies at New England College in Henniker, N.H., on Sunday, May 15.

The following local residents graduated from Clark University in Worcester on May 22.

Zachary Galen of Andover, graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy. Galen graduated summa cum laude and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received the Theodore & Phyllis Barbera Award for Excellence in German, and Excellence in Philosophical Studies. He attended Nashoba Regional High School.

David Rainen of Andover, graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in psychology. Rainen graduated cum laude. He attended Andover High School.

The academic degrees were conferred at Clark's 100th commencement exercises.

The names of Lafayette College students in Easton, Pa. who have been named to the spring semester dean's list were recently announced.

Meredith Megan White of Andover, a member of the class of 2006, received dean's list honors. To qualify, she achieved at least a 3.45 semester grade-point average out of a possible 4.0.

Local students were among the candidates who received

degrees during the 75th Regis College commencement ceremonies on Sunday, May 15 at Norman Towers on the Regis campus in Weston.

Kathleen Mitchell received a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Laurie Naughton received a bachelor's degree in management.

Luanne Nugent received a PM degree in nursing.

The University of Massachusetts Lowell spring semester dean's list includes students from Andover: **Susan Pulido**, senior; **Susan Provencher**, junior; **Lisa Tylus**, senior; **Adam Lynch**, senior; **Nicole Ducey**, senior; **Matthew Jones**, senior; and **Matthew Libby**, senior.

A grade-point average of at least 3.0 with no grade lower than a B must be achieved for inclusion on the University of Massachusetts Lowell dean's list.

Zhe Lu of Andover, the son of Xiaoming Lu and Jian Ren, was named to the honor list of Oxford College, the two-year liberal arts division of Emory University, located in Oxford, Ga., for the spring semester.

Students must have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or higher to be named to the honor list.

Lu received an associate in arts degree from Oxford at its 160th commencement ceremony on May 14.

Also at Emory University in Atlanta, **Kerryn O'Connor** of Andover, the daughter of Edward J. and K. Jonalyn O'Connor, received a bachelor of arts degree from Emory College at its commencement ceremony on Dec. 18, 2004.

The following Andover residents have been named to the dean's list at Providence College for the spring semester:

Jacqueline Barry, a member of the class of 2006;

Matthew Fournier, a member of the class of 2005;

Matthew Keough, a member of the class of 2006;

Maureen Lothrop, a member of the class of 2005;

Maria Savoca, a member of the class of 2008;

Michael Torelli, a member of the class of 2005; and

Natasha Venuti, a member of the class of 2005.

The Office of Graduate and Continuing Education at Bridgewater State College held its second annual awards ceremony to recognize the professional and academic achievements of faculty, staff, students and community leaders.

Eric Carlson, a student at Bridgewater State College, was recognized for serving as one of a dozen mentors to newly arriving Japanese students, helping them get acclimated to their new surroundings.

Carlson lives in Andover.

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845/70R14	\$268.00	1555/70R14	\$425.00
855/70R14	\$271.00	1575/70R14	\$430.00
865/70R14	\$274.00	1595/70R14	\$435.00
875/70R14	\$277.00	1615/70R14	\$440.00
885/70R14	\$280.00	1635/70R14	\$445.00
895/70R14	\$283.00	1655/70R14	\$450.00
905/70R14	\$286.00	1675/70R14	\$455.00
915/70R14	\$289.00	1695/70R14	\$460.00
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935/70R14	\$295.00	1735/70R14	\$470.00
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265/70R13	\$91.00	395/70R13	\$113.00	435/70R13	\$128.00
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285/70R13	\$97.00	435/70R13	\$121.00	475/70R13	\$136.00
295/70R13	\$100.00				

LOCAL SCHOLARS

Doherty students named to final-term honor roll

Doherty Middle School has named the following students to the honor roll for Term 3:

Grade 8

HIGH HONORS
Alexandra Abisso
Emily Adams
Karim Addetia
Jennifer Angell
Hannah Bardo
Rebecca Bendetson
Lauren Blaxter
Emily Blech
Nicole Cahill
Laura Cody
Caroline Colombo
Abigail Cook
Molly Corcoran
Aline Dargie
Meagan Deyermund
John Diodati
Janelle Driscoll
Alexandru Dumitrescu
Sean Ehlbeck
Jessica Frey
Ryan Furlong
Emma Gendlerman
Jonathan Graham
John Haak
Christine Harvey
Gary Hinds
Shelby Hom
Alexandra Hsu
Paul Irish
Carl Jackson
Heather Jimenez
Rebecca Johnson
Michael Kaluzny
Ishan Kapoor
Rudhdi Kamik
Eve Kenneally
Melissa Knapp
Jennifer Koffman
Kelly Kropiwnicki
Michelle Laracy
Theodore Lederfine-Paskal
Auden Lincoln-Vogel
Rebecca Lindmark
Andrew Lyman
Elizabeth Malone

Brian Mason
Kerry McCarthy
Jake McCoy
Leah McKnight
Mary McQuillen
Jessica Morrow
Victoria Mueck
Laura Murray
Victoria Norris
Elijah Pelter
Joshua Pelter
Keyara Pierre-Louis
Bowen Qiu
Matthew Quartararo
Hilary Rich
Molly Rodin
Brian Russell
Rachel Rutfield
Elizabeth Scoble
Colleen Shannon
Samantha Shea
Sophia Shimer
Gabriel Shipor
Lucy Silverman
Sanjay Singh
Samantha Skistimas
Cameron Smith
Andrew Speen
Christopher Sullivan
Joshua Torres
Kayla Walsh
Henry Wilkin
Ian Wollman
Erin Woodbury
Andi Zhou

HONORS

Julia Blanter
Jacquelyn Collins
Brendan Crawford
Bryce Davidson
Amanda D'Avolio
Mackenzie Dias
Kevin Doyle
Matthew Eriksen
Jennifer Fitzpatrick
George Flanagan
Hope Fried
Catherine Gross
Robert Hodge
Craig Hooker
Thomas Huntley

Jennifer Igoe
Jennifer Johnson
Jonah Kellman
Micala Kempster
David Keohane
Regina Larose
Christopher Lippi
Gabrielle Mager
Maria McSheehy
Stephen Moore
Matthew Newman
Brittany Peck
Nicholas Petrillo
Max Saccoccio
Nicole Saia
Molly Smith
Molly Stolberg
Emily Swapp
Nicholas Sylvester
John Tassinari
Rachael Trotta
Eric Walther-Grant

Grade 7

HIGH HONORS
Kirsten Arvidson
Noah Besen
Camille Black
Tyler Bond
Nicholas Booth
James Brenner
Matthew Byrne
Julia Caffrey
Courtney Casper
Christopher Chu
David Daniels
Katherine D'Innocenzo
Thomas Fuerst
Jennifer Garvin
Natalie Gibson
Elizabeth Gilbert
Alexandra Hall
Gregory Hanafin
Samuel Hatch
Joshua Holzman
Alycia Howell
Thomas Hubschman
Paul Hunter
Alexander Kafantis
Caroline Kaufman
Katherine Knowles
Katie Kucharski

Noah Kurinsky
Celia Lewis
Joseph Liotta
Allyson Long
Andrew Mack
Colleen Maher
Catherine McLaughlin
Caroline O'Sullivan
Zachary Pantely
John Perrone
Felisha Perry Smith
John Ponti
Catherine Rayner
Weston Rogers
Adam Rosenzweig
Brittany Samuels
Haley Scott
Nicolas Serna
Julia Shapiro
Vanessa Singleton
Charles Smith
Victoria Spagnuolo
Eric Struhl
Diane Sun
Katherine Svec
Colin Trepicchio
Molly Trerotola
John Tuniano
Molly Van Doren
Laura Van Drie
Katherine Voorhees
Christopher Warne
Christine Zhou

HONORS

Shayna Baglio
Michael Bernieri
Tyler Blake
Anthony Broccoli
Hillary Brownson
Emily Burke
Alicia Bursey
Olivia Caradonio
Stephen Carey
Cabrea Casey
Joseph Chartier
Margaret Christoforo
Matthew Cohen
Robert Collins
Daniel Colombo
Zachary Costello
Kaelan Crawford

Holly Currier
Nicholas Curtin
Brianna Deyermund
Jane Floyd
Alyson Formichella
Mary Forster
Matthew Gadziala
Violet Jackson
Amanda Jamieson
Haley Jamieson
John Keenan
Joseph Kuta
Elizabeth Le Cain
Jacob Lebowitz
Sandra Lewis
Austin Marocco
Eric McKnight
Derek Monson
Martin Murphy
Paige Murray
Kylie Nagy
Madhumita Narayan
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Maggie O'Reilly
Aisling O'Toole
Andrew Pallotta
Devi Patel
Jessica Pereyra
Chiara Raponi
Jill Saba
Randal Sartor
Daniel Schenwatzky
Rachel Shaw
Jeffrey Sheehy
Michael Shen
Daniel Silberstein
Natalie Sousa
Benjamin Stacy
Benjamin Van Doren
Mark Vetere
Rebecca Vogler
Scott Waller
Cameron Wolf
John Wurts
Sierra Zwerling

Grade 6

HIGH HONORS
Amin Addetia
Alexandra Allocca
Ryan Beaumont

Emily Belluche
Kyle Berthiaume
Victoria Briggs
Kevin Byrne
Adam Carrington
Margaret Carter
Hannah Chiodo
Brianna Conlon
Benjamin Cook
John Cusick
Hannah Daley
Conor Davidson
Madeline Dillman
Alexandra Dodge
Elizabeth Doherty
Matthew Dorros
Connor Dunbar
Rebecca Dunlavey
Sydney Eberth
Elisabeth Ekman
Kaitlin Fanikos
Conor Flanagan
Sean Furlong
Marielle Gallant
Rose Ganley
Drew Gath
Samuel Gilboard
Elizabeth Goslin
Kyle Hagan
Laura Hamilton
Nicole Hardgrove
Daniel Hysczak
Christopher Irish
Aazim Jafarey
Olivier Jin
Graeme Johnson
Nicole Johnson
Rory Johnson
Brian Knapp
Kendra Kumph
Brandon Lam
Lauren Lamagna
Andrea Laquidara
Melissa Laracy
Alex Linnemann
Timothy Lyman
Rohan Malhotra
Casey McQuillen
Brittany Moulden
Claire Murphy
Crosby Nicholson
William Ossoff

Monica Patterson
Zoe Payne-Taylor
Heather Pekarovich
Christopher Penta
Benjamin Pelter
Alison Pouliot
Jennifer Powers
Morgan Prudden
Haritha Pula
Christopher Quartararo
Melissa Ragonese
Jackson Rich
Jacob Roberts
Nicholas Sarno
Anna Scapichio
Cameron Schuh
Emily Scoble
Thomas Shannon
Aram Shrestinian
Jessica Torres
Dana Trismen
Madeleine Tucker
David Van Schalkwijk
Simon Voorhees
Danielle Walsh
Kellie Walsh
Zachary Weiss
Brian Wilson
Kendall Wipff
Elaine Wu
Wentai Xiao
Dan Yamamoto
Allan Yau
Julie Zavri

HONORS

Timothy Angell
Chelsea Angelosanto
Lyle Baker
Madeline Baldwin
John Barbaro
Matthew Barnes
Ryan Beime
Adam Blech
Rae Bronenkant
Paul Burton
Van Caraviello
Julia Centofanti
Patricia Conrad
Elliott Cooper
Jesse-Paul Crane
Paul D'Ambr

Stephen Dargie
Bennett Deady
Jay Dolan
Sara Famiglietti
Patrick Famham
Graham Fuller
Evan Golden
Natali Gomez-Martinez
Michael Goslin
James Gustus
Elinor Hannum
Alexandra Hung
Amanda Johnson
John Kou
Christopher Kucharski
Andrew Ladd
Margaret Lederfine-Paskal
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Sarah Mahan
Scott Marcotte
Mark Martin
Kira Mattheson
William Maye
Jeffrey Mazur
Nicholas Mitton
Victoria Moran
Patrick Morrow
Peter Nossiff
Samantha Okun
Theodore Pantely
Madison Rockwell
Ethan Rosenbaum
Peter Rouff
David Rungren
Alex Rutfield
Brian Salvesen
Sean Sawyer
Alexander Schwartz
Madison Skwierczynski
Olivia Spagnuolo
Sophie Stahley
Leah Totten
Erika Van Andel
George Vastano
Tyler Webster
Brandt Wronski
Tommy Yang
Alexander Yeo

College search workshop tonight at AHS

Local high school freshman and sophomores can get some much needed help for their college searches tonight, Thursday, July 21 in this one-time workshop presented by the Department of Community Services at Andover High from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Students and parents are encouraged to attend together to get a grasp on the timeline of the process and learn how students can best work with their teachers and guidance counselors along the way. Tips on keeping standardized testing in the proper perspective, setting priorities that allow students the time and space to explore and discover interests in and out of school, and managing spheres of influence can clarify what students do and do not need to be thinking about in their first two years of high school. Cost is \$28.

Register at DCS by calling 978-623-8274.

Pingree School students honored at awards, commencement ceremonies

On Sunday, June 5, Pingree School in South Hamilton held its commencement ceremony. The following Andover students were honored:

Pingree junior **Molly Baird** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in French 4 honors.

Pingree sophomore **Kimberly Carey** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in biology.

Pingree graduate **Elizabeth L. Cronin** received the departmental

awards for outstanding achievement in studio art, ecology, and English. She will attend Connecticut College.

Pingree graduate **Scott R. Davenport** will attend University of Maryland, College Park.

Pingree freshman **Caroline Gerber** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in introductory physical science.

Pingree graduate **Sarah P. Goldstein** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in instrumental music. She will attend Skid-

more College.

Pingree freshman **Carolyn Ingraham** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in integrated math 1.

Pingree graduate **Meghan E. Morris** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in history, and was awarded a diploma with distinction. She will attend Skidmore College.

Pingree junior **Katherine Nugent** received the departmental award for outstanding achievement in chemistry.

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Fresh Air gives kids new experiences

By Alessandra Siraco
What's Up contributor

Andover resident Mary Carroll brought 12-year-old Andrea Anderson to Smolak Farms last week to pick strawberries and pet farm animals. It's a typical summer activity for some Andover residents, but for Carroll's 12-year-old guest visiting from New York, this was the experience of a lifetime.

Petting the llamas at the North Andover farm was the best part of Andrea's trip because she had never seen a llama before, said Carroll.

Carroll hosted Anderson, a Harlem, N.Y. resident, through the Fresh Air Fund, a program that has been offering 1.7 million city kids a summer vacation in suburban and rural areas since 1877. The program is offered in 13 northeastern states and Canada. Several Andover families, like the Carrolls, volunteer to host a 6- to 18-year-old child for a stay of about two weeks.

"I wanted my kids to do something good for other people and we thought that by having (a child) come and share some fun times with us it would be a good way for our whole family to help another person," says Andover resident and host Tracy Galate. Tracy and Greg

Galate welcomed a 13-year-old girl named Eelya, who left to return to New York on July 11. Galate says they keep in touch with Eelya "all the time" after she returns home. This year was their sixth year hosting Eelya for her summer stay.

The Galates have four kids of their own, and their family enjoyed various activities such as swimming, playing cards, going to the mall and baking while Eelya visited.

"I wanted my kids to do something good for other people."

TRACY GALATE,
A HOST FOR THE
FRESH AIR FUND
PROGRAM

says Carroll, chairwoman of the Andover division of the Fresh Air Fund. "And it really gives these kids an opportunity that they would never get." She, too, keeps in touch with Andrea via phone and computer.

Hosting a child from the city "gives your family a nice perspective," muses Carroll.

"It's a really good way for children to be able to help other children," adds Galate.

Alessandra Siraco is a high school student contributing to the Andover Townsman this summer.



Dasha Moroz, 8, and Tymur Karpov, 13, received hours of free dental work from Andover dentist Jodie Lee. Many other Andover businesspeople and residents offered their services to the children.

CHERNOBYL'S CHILDREN

Town reaches out to assist children growing up in contaminated area

By Greta Cuyler

Dasha Moroz, 8, and Tymur Karpov, 13, kept telling Michelle Blanter how they noticed the birds singing and how much they liked the "nature" of the Merrimack Valley.

It was not until later that Blanter realized what their comments meant. The children are visiting Andover from Belarus, a small country about 10 kilometers north of the Chernobyl power plant that took the brunt of the radioactive fallout from the nuclear power accident in 1986.

"When I thought about it, it had more meaning. The radiation must've killed off a lot of nature," says Blanter, who acted as an informal translator for the two children spending the summer in Andover as part of the Chernobyl Children's Project.

Dasha and Tymur are just two of the approximately 100 children the project has brought to the area this summer. They will head back to Belarus today, Thursday, July 21.

According to Amanda Righter, whose family hosted Dasha and Tymur, there is no fluoride in the drinking water where the children live, and food in their area of Belarus is grown on contaminated soil. Hailing from a region where only 15 percent of children are born healthy, most of the children traveling with the Chernobyl Children's

Project are here for medical visits, Righter says.

Dasha and Tymur have been living as siblings with Amanda and Alan Righter in Andover for the past month. They fit into the Righter household, which also includes Daniel, 19, Sonia, 17, David, 14 and Nikki, 8. Amanda Righter says Dasha and Tymur argue and call each other names, just as actual siblings do.

The language barrier has been a challenge at times.

"It's like one giant game of Pictionary," says Amanda Righter of her family's month-long hosting adventure.

Blanter says that Dasha and Tymur were insightful about some things, like being keenly aware of prices and of the generosity they have experienced during their visit. But they're also just typical children, says Blanter.

Tymur was excited to "come here and pick up American girls," she says and he also really likes using the computer. He and David Righter are almost the same age and bonded quickly.

"Tymur and David just immediately clicked," says Blanter. "When Mrs. Righter would say something to Tymur that he didn't understand, he'd look at David almost as if David could translate for him."

On the eve of their departure from Andover, the two children

are armed with floss, toothpaste, toothbrushes and even a sand timer that counts down the three minutes of required brushing after each meal.

Since arriving in the US on June 21, both children have received a cleaning, fluoride treatment, sealants and multiple fillings, all provided pro bono by Andover dentist Francis McCarthy. Dasha has had 10 fillings, Tymur six.

In total, McCarthy donated over \$2,500 worth of services to the two children who have been in Andover for the past month as members of the Chernobyl Children's Project.

Jodie Lee, a dentist in McCarthy's practice, has donated more than 10 hours of free dental work to Dasha and Tymur.

"We don't speak the same language, but we really could communicate," said Lee, who has not only worked on the children's teeth during office hours, but also during her off hours, traveling from her home in Watertown to do so.

"They did great. The first time we talked, we played. I think they felt very comfortable," says Lee. "We all got along very well."

Dasha and Tymur's giant grins showed how much they like Lee, as they posed for a photo with the dentist on Tuesday.

day. Lee says that although Tymur had a whitish discoloration on his tongue that they thought might be radiation-related, an examination by John Ristuccia, an Andover oral surgeon, revealed the area was normal.

In addition to the dentists' generosity, Amanda Righter says there are many other residents who have helped the children during their stay in Andover.

Blanter has certainly been an invaluable resource says Righter. Blanter, 17, grew up speaking Russian and is friends with Sonia Righter.

"She's just been so nice," says Righter. "Teenagers generally don't like to give up their summer time."

According to Righter, AHS teacher David Fazio gave the children a free week in his basketball program, HoopTown, and the children swam for free at Cedardale Health and Fitness in Haverhill.

Righter is going to miss the children who have been her "kids" over the past month.

"We've benefited in so many ways," she says.

Lee says she too will miss the children when they leave on July 21. "I keep on saying, 10 years from now, when they're grown up and working, maybe they'll come over and find me," she says.

150 MILES, TWO DAYS



Ellen Alden of Andover congratulates Evelyn Caron upon her completion of the 150-mile Memory Ride for Alzheimer's Research.

Resident tackles road, emotions to honor mother

By Alessandra Siraco
What's Up contributor

Wine tasting started it all. If it hadn't been for that, Andover resident Evelyn Caron never would have spent last weekend cycling 150 miles.

But in April, Caron met somebody at a wine tasting who had participated in the Memory Ride, a 150-mile bike ride that raises money for Alzheimer's research. Once she heard of the event, she was off. Caron, a mother of four, bought a bicycle, trained hard with others and gradually increased her mileage until she was ready for the ride.

In the nine years the Memory Ride has existed, cyclists have raised \$1 million for research of Alzheimer's disease.

For two days each year, the Memory Riders wind through New England, from Brattleboro, Vt., to Fitchburg, Mass. collecting spon-

sors' donations. Caron raised more than \$3,000 this year, her first year riding, to contribute to the \$250,000 total amount raised.

"(I'm) totally committed to doing it every year," she says, noting how much she enjoyed "connecting with people who had similar stories to tell about Alzheimer's."

Caron's mother, also an Andover resident but a woman who had Alzheimer's, died three years ago. Caron says the most difficult part of the ride was not dealing with sore muscles but "the emotional challenges: thinking about my mom and wishing she were there to see me finish."

Caron's goal is to get riders from Andover to join her in her bicycle battle against the disease.

"It was a wonderful experience," she says, "because I felt I could take my sports interest and combine it (with) a worthwhile cause."

SMOOTH SAILING



Andover children enjoyed the water and wind on Poms Pond on Tuesday.

ENGAGEMENTS

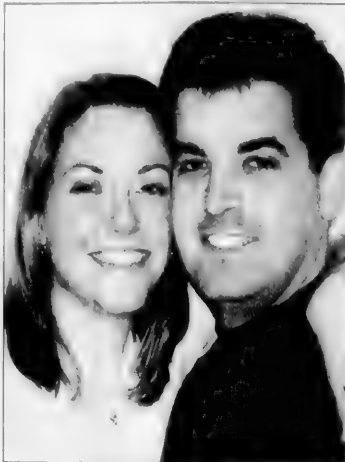
Davidson-Bloh

Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Davidson Jr. of Weston announce the engagement of their daughter, Megan L. Davidson, to Christopher P. Bloh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul T. Bloh of Orleans, formerly of Andover.

Ms. Davidson, a graduate of Weston High School, received a bachelor's degree at Kenyon College. She is employed at New Balance Athletic Shoe.

Mr. Bloh graduated from Brooks School, Connecticut College, Babson College, and F.W. Olin Graduate School of Business. He is employed at Wellington Management LLP.

The couple plan an October wedding.



Megan Davidson and Christopher Bloh

Olivola-Eulie

Mark and Joan Olivola of Wilmington, N.C. announce the engagement of their daughter, Devon Lee Olivola, to Evan K. Eulie.

son of Ken and Nancy Eulie of Andover.

Ms. Olivola is a graduate of Robinson High School and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in environmental studies at UNCW.

Mr. Eulie is a graduate of Andover High School and the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. He is pursuing a master's degree in creative writing.

The couple plan a June wedding.



Evan Eulie and Devon Olivola

Galluzzo-Borgatti

Joseph and Elizabeth Galluzzo of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Marie Galluzzo, to Christopher John Borgatti, son of Randall and Joan Borgatti of Natick.

Ms. Galluzzo is a graduate of Phillips Academy and Ohio Wesleyan University. She is a science teacher at Pike School.

Mr. Borgatti graduated from Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood and Ohio Wesleyan University. He is a biology and environmental teacher at St. John's Prep in Danvers.

The couple plan a November wedding.



Lisa Galluzzo and Christopher Borgatti

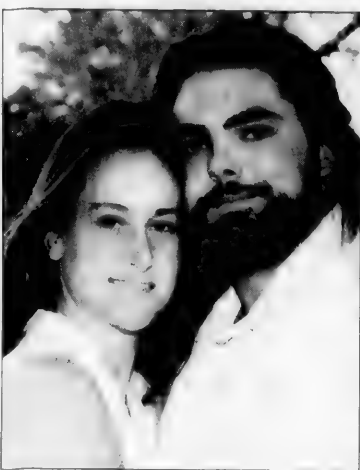
Georgian-Shanahan

Colleen and Ted Georgian of Andover announce the engagement of their daughter, Alison Georgian, to Ryan Shanahan, the son of Robin Shanahan of Lynn.

Ms. Georgian, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, is employed as a social worker.

Mr. Shanahan is employed at Hilltop Steakhouse.

The couple plan an August wedding.



Alison Georgian and Ryan Shanahan

AHS 25th reunion plans announced

Andover High School class of 1980 will hold its 25th reunion Saturday, Nov. 26 at the Indian Ridge Country Club, 73 Lovejoy Road, from 6 p.m. to midnight.

For more information, call Mary Lu Walsh at 978-474-6089.

FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center. Call 978-623-8321 for more information about any classes, programs or services.

Cardio Circuit Training: A six-week session of cardio circuit training for women at Shapes By Design will get underway this week. Cost is \$45 for unlimited visits, and no membership fee is required. This special price is available only for those signing up through the senior center. See Pat at the senior center for a complimentary pass to try this new exercise option.

Pennsylvania Dutch Trip: The center will sponsor a trip to Pennsylvania Dutch country the weekend of Aug. 26-28. The cost includes hotel accommodations (double occupancy), meals, farmer's market, dinner theater, tours and transportation from the center. Cost is \$350 for double occupancy, or \$450 for a single.

Easy Exercise: Our easy exercise class meets Thursday afternoons at 1:30. If you're looking for a gentle form of exercise with lots of support, this might be the class for you. Cost of the session is \$27, or just \$10 if you take it in conjunction with our weight-management class.

Garden Tours: We invite the public to enjoy touring some of Andover's loveliest home gardens. On Tuesday, Aug. 9 we will visit the woodland garden of Carol Prentice. Spaces are limited and pre-registration is necessary. Directions are available at the center.

Card Players: Our drop-in cribbage group meets Monday and Tuesday afternoons at 1, and our men's bridge group meets together every Thursday at 1 p.m. Newcomers are welcome in both groups.

Book Club: Our summer book discussion will continue next Thursday, July 28 at 1 p.m. when we will discuss the book, *The Reading Group* by Elizabeth Noble. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the senior center.

Movie Matinee: On Monday, July 25 at 1 p.m. we invite everyone to join us to watch the recent release *The Phantom of*

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Computer Internet Class: Intro to the Internet: Tuesdays, Aug. 2, 9 & 16 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.; \$25. This class is for people who want to know more about the Internet, including service providers, navigating Web sites, search engines and links. We'll test some of the most popular sites, so you'll have an opportunity to search on your own. Limited spaces; pre-registration required.

Ogunquit Trip - On Your Own in Ogunquit: Choose how you want to spend the day: explore the Perkins Cove area, visit the Ogunquit Art Museum for the Edward Hopper exhibit on loan from the Whitney Museum in New York; or browse the many attractions in Ogunquit proper, on Tuesday, Aug. 23. Cost is \$20.

Golf: Members of our men's group get together every Tuesday morning at 7:30 for a round of golf at the Tewksbury Country Club. Senior rate is \$15 for nine holes. If you'd like to join in, give Bob Henderson a call at 978-858-0815.

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Blood Pressure Checks: Nurses are available at the center every Wednesday afternoon at 2 for blood pressure checks. There is no charge for this service and reservations are not necessary.

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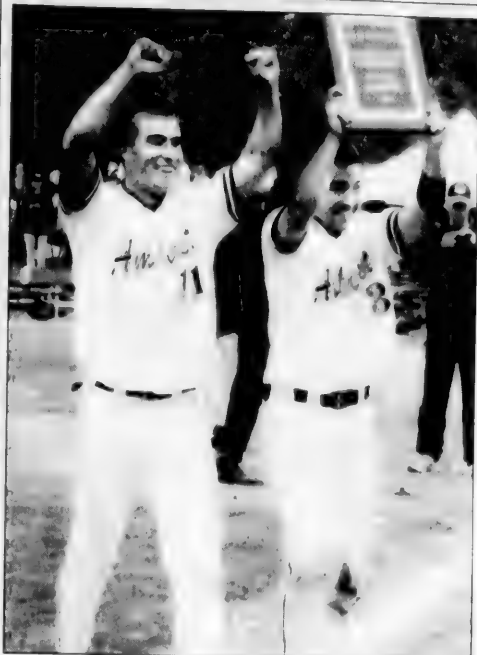
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LOCAL ATHLETES



David Powers of Andover (left) received the Dean Wilson Award at the recent Amherst College graduation ceremonies. The award is given to the student/athlete who best exemplifies outstanding leadership and team spirit, along with academic and athletic excellence. Powers, a four-year starter and senior captain of the Lord Jeffs' baseball team, led Amherst to its second straight New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) championship and a berth in the NCAA Division 3 Regionals. He was named to the NESCAC All-Conference and All-Academic teams, while maintaining a 3.6 grade point average as an English major. Powers finished his collegiate baseball career as one of Amherst's all-time leaders in several categories including hits (167), runs scored (102), RBI (104) and games played (137). He has accepted a teaching and coaching fellowship at Deerfield Academy beginning in the fall. This photo was taken after Amherst defeated Trinity (Conn.) College, 8-7 in 10 innings, in the NESCAC Championship Tournament title game.



2005 Level 5 Massachusetts Vault Champion — Maddie Gray of Andover won first place on vault at the Level 5 State Gymnastics Championships on May 14 in Ware, Mass., for the 9-year-old senior division. Maddie and her sister, Mackenzie, compete for Yellow Jackets Gymnastics in Middleton.



Katie O'Connell (at right) competed in the New England Springboard Diving Championships held at Boston University in May. She placed fourth overall on the 3-meter with a score of 175.25, and placed fourth overall on the 1-meter with a score of 213.00. O'Connell, coached by Keith and Agnes Miller, competes for Charles River Diving at Harvard University. The West Middle grad will attend Andover High in the fall and hopes to compete for the AHS girls swim and dive team.

American Legion baseball

Familiar steps for Post 8

Zone 8 crown, No. 1 seeding fuel hopes to repeat as state champs

By Rick Harrison

Here we go again. The Andover Post 8 American Legion baseball team completed its first major step in a quest to repeat as Massachusetts state champion, capturing another Zone 8 title and nailing down a No. 1 seed for this week's opening round of sectional playoffs.

By winning its last four regular season games, played over a busy five-day stretch, Post 8 finished 15-1 against Zone opponents.

Andover, 17-1 overall including a pair of non-league wins over interstate rival Nashua, N.H. Coffey Post 3, is squaring off against familiar foe Lowell Post 87 in a best-of-3 playoff series this week.

The grueling stretch run, which featured seven games in nine days, ended with victories over Peabody, 4-3, Middleton, 5-3, Lynn Gautreau, 9-1, and Salem, 10-0.

"We took charge of our own destiny when we beat Peabody," said 17th-year Post 8 manager Joe Iarrobino.

"Going into that game we were tied for first in the standings with Peabody and Swampscott — all three of us with one loss. We knocked Peabody out of its share of the top — and then Peabody beat Swampscott.

"It still wasn't an easy road after that — but we knew if we won our last three we'd get the top seed," said Iarrobino.

This is the 12th district title for Andover in the past 17 years, and the 14th time the locals have qualified for the playoffs.

They have reached the State Tournament Final seven times — and won their first state title last summer.

The reward for being No. 1 seed, at least in theory, is you face a weaker opponent.

Lowell is the last seed (No. 4) from Zone 5, based solely on final record, even though Post 87 won the 5A title at 13-7.

This is the sixth time in Iarrobino's tenure that these two teams have met in the sectionals, including last year when Andover swept the series in two games.

"We've had some memorable and exciting series with Lowell — and we haven't always come out on top," said the manager.

"Five or six years ago we had a particularly strong team (led by Kevin Shepard, Ryan Hanigan and Jeff Volinski), and they upset us in the final inning of the final game on a dropped outfield fly."

The current series began last night (Wednesday), after *Townsmen* presstime, with Game 1 scheduled for Stoklosa/Alumni Field in Lowell (subject to field availability).

Either Dan Godefroi (4-0) or Patrick Bateson (5-1) was expected to get the starting nod for Andover. Whoever did not start the opener will probably pitch the second game.

Game 2 is scheduled this afternoon (Thursday) at Andover High's Peter Aumais Park (4 p.m.).

If a third game is needed it will be played tomorrow (Friday), with the time and site determined by a coin flip at a meeting of all qualifying teams earlier this week.

All playoff games are 9 innings duration (regular season games are 7 innings).

Post 8 entered the playoffs riding a five-game win streak, and Andover has outscored the opposition by a wide 158-55 margin this summer. The only regular season loss was to Swampscott, 12-11.

Lowell split its last four regular season games, clinching the 5A crown with an 11-2 romp over Medford in the finale last Friday night.

The Andover/Lowell survivor will move on to face the winner of a similar sectional first-round series between Newton and Peabody.

Newton (16-4) is the No. 2 seed in Zone 5 and Peabody (13-3) the No. 3 seed in Zone 8.

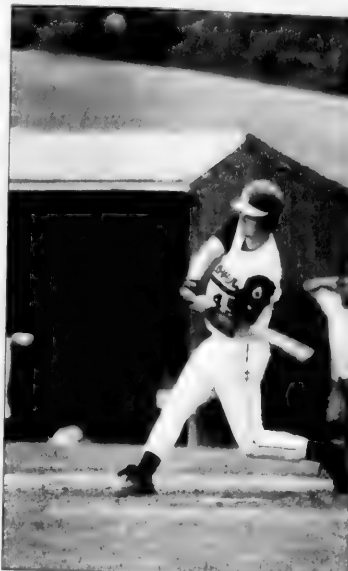
That series will begin either Saturday or Sunday.

Two other best-of-3 sets this week have Zone 5 top seed Sudbury (15-3-1) versus Zone 8 fourth seed Lynn Gautreau (10-4-2), and Zone 8 second seed Swampscott Mariners (14-2) against Zone 5 third seed Wakefield (14-4-1).

The two teams emerging from the local Sectionals advance to the State Tournament finals being hosted by traditional Central Mass. Legion power Milford Post 59.

The Final 8 will play a double-elimination tourney from Saturday, July 30 through Friday, Aug. 7 at Fino Field in Milford.

The state champ goes to the Legion Regionals



Joel Keefe keeps his eye on the ball against Lawrence Post 15 at Peter Aumais Park. Host Andover Post 8 won the game, 1-0.

in Warwick, R.I. the second week of August.

Andover placed third at the 2004 Regional Tournament.

Andover has won 26 of its last 28 games against in-state competition, dating back to last year when Andover captured its last two regular season games, swept two best-of-3 state tourney preliminary round playoff series and went 5-1 in the state finals (only loss to Norwood).

Reigning district champ Post 8 went 15-2 in district games last summer — one of the setbacks 1-0 to the Swampscott Mariners and the other to Revere.

The current 18-player roster includes 13 veterans from the 2004 Legion squad, which finished 26-5, and nine who recently completed an 18-4 season with Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 and North 1 titlist Andover High.

Andover 10 Salem 0

Pitchers Craig Lanciani (3-0), Kevin Calabro and Myke Fortier combined for a 1-hitter as Post 8 recorded its fourth shutout of the season in the regular season finale at Aumais Park.

Lanciani worked the first five innings, Calabro the sixth and Fortier closed it out in the seventh. The trio combined to fan four, walk three and plunk one batter.

The lone hit was an infield single leading off the second, with shortstop Zack O'Donnell ranging to his right to make a nice stop. His throw to first was accurate but too late.

Andover notched the only run necessary in the bottom of the first when leadoff batter O'Donnell singled, Dan Godefroi laced a one-out single to right and Matt Hogan lofted a sac-fly to center.

A five-run third broke the game open.

Paul Malaguti walked, Godefroi singled to right, Joel Keefe launched an RBI double to left-center and Hogan drilled a two-run single up the middle.

Matt Iorio singled to right-center and Ryan Shepard capped the uprising with a two-run triple to left-center.

In the sixth Godefroi ripped his third single to right, Hogan slapped a one-out single to center and Nick Caro (Governor Dummer) hammered a two-run triple to left.

Iorio rescued Caro with a single to right-center, Shepard reached on an error and DH Tom Arrigg (Brooks School) singled to center for the 10th run.

Godefroi sparked a 14-hit attack with three, while Hogan (three RBI) and Iorio both had a pair of safeties and scored twice.

Defensively, catcher Tim Hughes (Middlesex School) made a nice sliding catch of a pop foul and suffered a cut knee on the play.

Both Hughes and O'Donnell (Middlesex), who was hit on the elbow by a pitch, were expected to ready for the playoff opener.

Andover 9 Lynn Gautreau 1

Lynn, which qualified for the playoffs on the final day by beating Middleton, could not keep up

with the district champs in the penultimate regular season game at Aumais Park.

This one had to be replayed in its entirety after the rivals were rained out earlier this season in the fourth inning with Andover leading 3-1.

Northern Essex CC sophomore-to-be Patrick Bateson (5-1, one save) pitched a masterful complete-game six-hitter, whiffing five and walking only one. The Gautreau run was unearned.

Post 8 inched ahead 1-0 in the first as Zack O'Donnell laced a leadoff single, stole second, took third on an infield out and raced across when Joel Keefe (UMass Boston) smacked a two-out single to right-center.

After Lynn tied it 1-1 in the second, O'Donnell was the catalyst again in the third. He walked, stole second and scored on another two-out single to center by Keefe (4-for-4).

With one out in the fifth, Andover loaded the bases after Ryan Shepard (Merrimack College) singled to left, Matt Iorio was hit by a pitch and Nick Caro walked.

O'Donnell's fielder's choice grounder plated a run, and Paul Malaguti's double to left-center rescued two for a 5-1 lead.

A four-run sixth turned the game into a rout.

O'Donnell walked and scored when Malaguti tripled to left. Godefroi lashed an RBI single to center and Keefe blasted a two-run inside-the-park homer (second of season) that one-hopped the fence more than 400 feet away in right-center.

Keefe finished a perfect 4-for-4, with four RBI, while O'Donnell scored four runs and Malaguti clubbed a triple and double.

Iorio played well defensively at second base, including the pivot on a 6-4-3 double play in the seventh, and Shepard made two nice running catches in right field.

Andover 5 Middleton 3

Middleton, which barely missed out on a playoff berth (by 2 points) after this loss and a subsequent showdown loss to Lynn Gautreau, jumped to a 2-0 lead with solo runs in the first and second innings at the Masconomet Regional field in Topsfield.

But Post 8 chipped away with a run in the third, two in the fourth and two in the fifth to snap a 3-3 tie.

Tom Arrigg (3-0) was the winning pitcher, working 5 2/3 frames of strong two-hit, one-run relief.

Andover got on the board in the third when Ryan Shepard hammered a double to right-center and scored on Matt Iorio's one-out single to the same gap.

The locals inched ahead 3-2 in the fourth on four singles, two to center and two to right field, by Dan Godefroi, Joel Keefe, Zack O'Donnell (RBI) and Tim Hughes (RBI).

After Middleton tied it in the home half, Post 8 responded with the final two runs in the fifth frame.

Iorio singled to right, Paul Malaguti singled to right-center and Godefroi dumped an RBI single down the right field line. After a double steal, Keefe plated Malaguti with a long sac-fly to center.

Middleton threatened in each of the last two innings, twice putting the tying runs aboard and bringing the game-winner to the plate.

In the sixth a pair of two-out walks preceded a groundout, and in the seventh a walk and single were followed by a fielder's choice and game-ending 4-6-3 Iorio-O'Donnell-Hogan double play.

Iorio, Malaguti, Godefroi and O'Donnell smacked two hits each.

The left side of the infield, O'Donnell and Malaguti, shone defensively.

The Middleton team is managed by former Boston Red Sox lefty pitcher John Tudor, a Peabody native, with assistance from former Andover High head varsity coach and good friend Dave Bettencourt, who directed the Golden Warriors to back-to-back state titles in 1991 and '92.

Andover 4 Peabody 3

In what turned out to be the most crucial game of the regular season, Andover again rode the terrific left arm of Dynamite Dan Godefroi to this victory at Peabody High.

The southpaw improved to 4-0 with a route-going four-hit gem, striking out seven and issuing no walks.

The three Peabody runs were unearned, but

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Andover Post 8 — Zack O'Donnell ss 2-1-1, Conor Burke ss 1-0-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 3-1-1, Andrew Hennessy 3b 1-0-0, Dan Godefroi cf 5-2-3, Joel Keefe lf 3-1-1, Matt Hogan 1b 3-2-2, Tim Hughes c 2-0-0, Nick Caro c 1-1-1, Matt Iorio 2b 4-2-2, Ryan Shepard rf 3-0-1, Tom Arrigo dh 4-0-1, Craig Lanciani p 0-0-0, Kevin Calabro p 0-0-0, Myke Fortier p 1-0-0. **Totals:** 32-10-14.
Salem 000 000 0 0 — 0
Andover 105 004 x — 10
RBI: A. Hogan 3, Shepard 2, Caro 2, Keefe 1, Iorio 1, Arrigo 1. **2B:** Godefroi. **3B:** Caro, Shepard. **SF:** Hogan. **HBP:** O'Donnell. **WP:** Craig Lanciani (3-0) 5ip 1h 0r 0bb 3k. **Relief:** Kevin Calabro 1ip 0h 0r 0bb 1bb 1k, Myke Fortier 1ip 0h 0r 0bb 0k. **LP:** Merry. **Records:** Andover 17-1, 15-1 district; Salem 7-9.

ANDOVER 9, LYNN GAUTREAU 1
at Peter Aumais Park, Andover
Lynn Gautreau — Bryson 1b 3-0-1, Waldron ss 3-0-1, Healey c 2-0-0, Myette lf 3-1-1, Jesoradio rf 3-0-0, Church 3b 3-0-1, Cuervo 3b 0-0-0, Marey cf 3-0-2, Maitland 2b 2-0-0, Mullins 2b 1-0-0, Clapp p 2-0-0. **Totals:** 23-1-6.
Andover Post 8 — Zack O'Donnell ss 2-4-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 4-1-2, Dan Godefroi cf 4-1-1, Joel Keefe lf 4-1-4, Matt Hogan 1b 2-0-0, Kevin Calabro ph 1-0-0, Tim Hughes dh 3-0-0, Tom Arrigo dh 0-0-0, Ryan Shepard rf 1-0-1, Andrew Hennessy rf 1-0-0, Matt Iorio 2b 2-1-0, Nick Caro c 2-1-0, Kevin Bateson p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 26-9-9.
Lynn 010 000 0 — 1
Andover 101 304 x — 9
RBI: A. Keefe 4, Malaguti 3, Godefroi 1, O'Donnell 1, LG Church 1. **2B:** Malaguti, Bryson. **3B:** Malaguti. **HR:** Keefe (2). **SB:** O'Donnell. **HBP:** Iorio. **DP:** Andover (O'Donnell-Iorio-Hogan). **WP:** Patrick Bateson (5-1) 7ip 5h 1r 0er 1bb 5k. **LP:** Clapp. **Records:** Andover 16-1, 14-1 district; Lynn Gautreau 10-4-2.

ANDOVER 5, MIDDLETON 3
at Masconomet Regional, Topfield
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 3-1-2, Paul Malaguti 3b 3-1-2, Dan Godefroi cf 4-1-2, Joel Keefe lf 3-1-1, Matt Hogan 1b 4-0-0, Zack O'Donnell ss 4-0-2, Tim Hughes c 3-0-1, Ryan Shepard rf 2-1-1, Andrew Hennessy dh 3-0-0, Myke Fortier p 0-0-0, Tom Arrigo p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 29-5-11.
Middleton — Lamkin cf 3-1-0, Bunker lf 3-0-0, Hatfield 1b 3-0-0, Modono dh 1b 4-0-1, Shepard ss 3-1-1, McCarthy c 1-1-0, Heath 3b 2-0-1, Hinds 2b 2-0-0, Johnson rf 3-0-0, Barton p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 24-3-3.
Andover 001 220 0 — 5
Middleton 110 000 0 — 3
RBI: A. Iorio 1, O'Donnell 1, Hughes 1, Godefroi 1, Keefe 1, M. Heath 2, Modono 1. **2B:** Heath, RShepard. **SB:** Malaguti, Godefroi. **SF:** Keefe. **DP:** Andover (Iorio-O'Donnell-Hogan). **WP:** Tom Arrigo (3-0).

5.2ip 2h 1r 1er 4bb 1k. **LP:** Barton. **Records:** Andover 15-1, 13-1 district; Middleton 9-4-2.

ANDOVER 4, PEABODY 3
at Peabody High
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 3-0-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 2-1-1, Joel Keefe lf 4-0-1, Matt Hogan 1b 4-0-1, Dan Godefroi cf 4-0-1, Ryan Shepard cf 3-0-0, Tim Hughes c 3-1-1, Zack O'Donnell ss 2-2-1, Andrew Hennessy rf 3-0-0. **Totals:** 28-4-9.
Peabody — Dallaire cf 3-0-0, Judd 3b 2-0-1, O'Hara ss 3-1-1, Civeas rf 3-0-1, Gallo 1b 3-0-0, Fain 2b 2-0-0, Johnson 2b 1-0-0, Suchanewicz c 2-0-0, Doherty c 1-0-0, Correnti cf 2-1-1, Wentworth p 1-0-0, Jackson p 1-1-0. **Totals:** 24-3-4.
Andover 110 002 0 — 4
Peabody 000 003 0 — 3
RBI: A. Malaguti 2, Hogan 1, Iorio 1, P. Judd 1, O'Hara 1, Civeas 1. **2B:** Hogan, Godefroi, O'Hara, Civeas. **SB:** O'Donnell. **S:** Iorio. **SF:** Judd. **WP:** Dan Godefroi (4-0) 7ip 4h 3r 0er 0bb 7k. **LP:** Wentworth. **Records:** Andover 14-1, 12-1 district; Peabody 11-2 district.

ANDOVER 6, REVERE 5
at Peter Aumais Park, Andover
(8 Innings)
Beverly — DiCicco cf 4-1-2, Lyons 2b 3-1-1, Jesoradio rf 3-0-0, Flaherty c 4-1-1, Mantorano 1b 4-0-2, Coffey rf 4-0-0, Grassio lf 4-1-1, Decandia 3b 4-0-1, Marchesi p 4-0-1. **Totals:** 35-5-9.
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 4-2-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 3-0-2, Dan Godefroi cf 4-0-1, Joel Keefe lf 3-0-1, Ryan Shepard rf 3-0-0, Tim Hughes c 3-1-1, Matt Hogan 1b 4-2-2, Zack O'Donnell ss 4-1-3, Andrew Hennessy dh 2-0-0, Kevin Calabro cf 2-0-1, Craig Lanciani p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 32-6-12.
Revere 000 022 11 — 5
Andover 000 011 30 — 6
RBI: A. O'Donnell 2, Malaguti 1, Shepard 1, Calabro 1, R. Flaherty 2, Mantorano 2, Marchesi 1. **2B:** Malaguti, Hogan, Flaherty, DeFilippo. **3B:** O'Donnell. **2:** Grassio. **SF:** Shepard. **S:** Malaguti. **WP:** Dan Godefroi (3-0) 3ip 5h 4r 0er 0bb 1k. **Starter:** Craig Lanciani 5ip 5h 1r 1er 1bb 6k. **Record:** Andover 13-1, 11-1 district.

SWAMPSCOTT 12, ANDOVER 11
at Peter Aumais Park, Andover
Swampscott Mariners — Bydell ss 5-2-4, CGarber lf 4-1-1, Rader rf 5-3-2, Kane pf 4-1-1, Kelly 3b 5-0-0, Pressman cf-rf 5-3-2, Russo c 4-1-3, LGarber 3b 4-1-1, Gerall 2b 3-0-1, Dewing 2b 1-0-0. **Totals:** 40-12-15.
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 5-0-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 2-4-1, Dan Godefroi cf 4-2-3, Joel Keefe lf 4-1-1, Matt Hogan 1b 5-1-3, Tim Hughes c 4-1-0, Ryan Shepard rf 3-0-1, Zack O'Donnell ss 4-1-3, Andrew Hennessy dh 3-0-0, Dan Haugh pr 0-0-0, Tom Arrigo p 0-0-0, Kevin Calabro p 0-0-0, Myke Fortier p 0-0-0, Patrick Bateson p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 34-11-14.
Swampscott 013 123 2 — 12
Andover 310 411 1 — 11
RBI: A. Keefe 2, Hogan 2, O'Donnell 2, Hughes 1, Shepard 1, Godefroi 1, Hennessy 1. **2B:** Russo 2, Rader, LGarber.

Godefroi 3B: Godefroi. **Pressman HBP:** Malaguti. **Hughes SF:** Keefe. **SB:** O'Donnell. **LP:** Patrick Bateson (4-1) 1ip 2h 2r 2er 1bb 1k. **Record:** Andover 12-1, 10-1 district.

ANDOVER 11, DANVERS 1
at Peter Aumais Park, Andover
(6 Innings, rain)
Danvers Post 319 — St. Clair p 3-0-0, Chin 2b 3-1-1, Perry ss 2-0-0, Boylan cf 3-0-1, Dion c 3-0-0, Stanley 1b 3-0-0, Rideout lf 2-0-0, Lendell rf 2-0-0, Blanchette 3b 2-0-1. **Totals:** 23-1-3.
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 1-1-0, Patrick Bateson p 0-1-0, Craig Lanciani p 1-0-0, Paul Malaguti 3b 3-1-1, Tom Arrigo 3b 1-0-0, Dan Godefroi cf 3-1-1, Kevin Calabro cf 1-1-1, Joel Keefe lf 2-2-2, Matt Hogan 1b 2-1-0, Myke Fortier 1b 1-0-0, Ryan Shepard rf 1-1-0, Tim Hughes c 1-1-1, Nick Caro c 1-0-0, Zack O'Donnell ss 2-0-0, Conor Burke ss 1-0-0, Andrew Hennessy dh 2b 3-1-1. **Totals:** 24-11-7.
Danvers 000 100 — 1
Andover 520 130 — 11
RBI: A. Keefe 3, Hogan 2, Hennessy 2, Hughes 2, Shepard 1, O'Donnell 1, D. Boylan 1. **2B:** Keefe. **SB:** Keefe, Shepard. **SF:** Shepard, Hogan. **HBP:** O'Donnell. **DP:** Andover 1 (Hennessy-Burke-Fortier). **WP:** Patrick Bateson (4-0) 5ip 2h 1r 1er 0bb 6k. **Relief:** Craig Lanciani 1.2ip 1h 0r 0er 1bb 1k. **Record:** Andover 12-0, 10-0 district.

ANDOVER 1, LAWRENCE 0
at Peter Aumais Park, Andover
Lawrence Post 15 — Savastano cf 3-0-0, Santiago 2b 3-0-1, Matos 1b 3-0-1, Gosselin 3b 3-0-0, Bernabel ss 2-0-0, Lozeau p 2-0-1, Sartori lf 2-0-0, Sarmiento rf 2-0-0, Gonzalez c 2-0-0. **Totals:** 22-0-3.
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 2-0-1, Paul Malaguti 3b 2-0-1, Dan Godefroi p 2-0-0, Joel Keefe lf 3-0-0, Matt Hogan 1b 2-0-1, Tim Hughes c 2-0-0, Ryan Shepard cf 2-0-0, Zach O'Donnell ss 2-0-0, Andrew Hennessy rf 1-1-0. **Totals:** 18-1-3.
Lawrence 000 000 0 — 0
Andover 001 000 x — 1
RBI: A. Godefroi 1. **S:** Iorio. **SF:** Godefroi. **DP:** Andover 2 (Iorio-Hogan, Malaguti-Iorio-Hogan). **WP:** Dan Godefroi (2-0) 7ip 3h 0r 0er 0bb 4k. **LP:** Dan Lozeau 6ip 3h 1r 1er 2bb 0k. **Record:** Andover 11-0, 9-0 district.

ANDOVER 7, NORTH ANDOVER 0
at Middle School Field, North Andover
(5 Innings, darkness)
Andover Post 8 — Matt Iorio 2b 2-1-0, Paul Malaguti 3b 2-0-0, Dan Godefroi cf 2-0-0, Joel Keefe lf 2-1-1, Matt Hogan 1b 2-0-0, Ryan Shepard rf 2-1-0, Tim Hughes c 1-1-0, Zack O'Donnell ss 3-2-1, Andrew Hennessy dh 1-1-1, Myke Fortier p 0-0-0. **Totals:** 17-7-3.
North Andover Post 214 — Hyzeive 3b 2-0-0, Legrow lf 2-0-0, Dours rf 2-0-0, Helms 1b 2-0-0, Barber dh 2-0-0, Gilbert c 2-0-0, Ringland ss 2-0-0, Gamble cf 1-0-1, Dietz 2b 1-0-0. **Totals:** 16-0-1.
Andover 030 40 — 7
No. Andover 000 00 — 0
RBI: A. Hennessy 2, Keefe 2, O'Donnell 1, Iorio 1, Malaguti 1. **WP:** Myke Fortier (2-0) 5ip 1h 0r 0er 0bb 5k. **Records:** Andover 10-0, 8-0 district.

POST 8 ATTACK

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they made it very interesting in the bottom of the sixth with Post 8 enjoying a 4-0 lead.

Godefroi retired the first 10 batters he faced, carrying a no-hitter into the fourth, and in five of the seven innings he set Peabody down 1-2-3.

"Danny threw only 81 pitches and he put on another show," said Iarrobino.

In 24 official innings pitched this summer, Godefroi has surrendered only 16 hits, four earned runs, struck out 22 and walked none.

Andover took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first on a one-out walk to

Paul Malaguti, single to right by Joel Keefe and RBI double to left-center by Matt Hogan.

After leaving two runners in scoring position, the locals made it 2-0 in the second stanza without benefit of a hit.

Zack O'Donnell walked, stole second, took third on Andrew Hennessy's infield out and scored when UMass Lowell-bound Matt Iorio grounded out.

In the sixth Tim Hughes singled to right-center, O'Donnell laced a single up the middle and Iorio laid down a sacrifice bunt.

Malaguti followed with one of the key hits of the summer, a clutch two-run single to right for a 4-0 cushion.

Peabody's three-run sixth featured an infield single, error, infield out, sac-fly and back-to-back doubles.

Godefroi finished the game with a flourish, protecting the one-run lead by retiring Peabody 1-2-3 in the seventh.

It offered a measure of revenge for the lefty, beaten 3-2 by Peabody in the 2004 MIAA Division I North Tournament semifinals during the high school season. Several of the same players are on both teams.

Although he didn't figure in any of the scoring, Godefroi also led a nine-hit Post 8 attack with a double and two singles.

Defensively, Matt Hogan played well at first base.

MIGHTY MITES



Mite Central Champs — The Andover Mites defeated Malden recently to win the Central Division. Pictured (front row, from left) are: Bobby Weld, Michael McDonough, Ben Hunt, Jake Rauh and Riley Eckles. Back row: Coach Jack McDonnell, Colin McDonnell, Timmy Awiszus, Peter Gladgrande, Marcus Pelletier, Brendan Slattery, Sebastian Bleau, Coach Nick Ardagna and Conor Silk. Missing from photo: Meghan Johnson and Lucas Ardagna.

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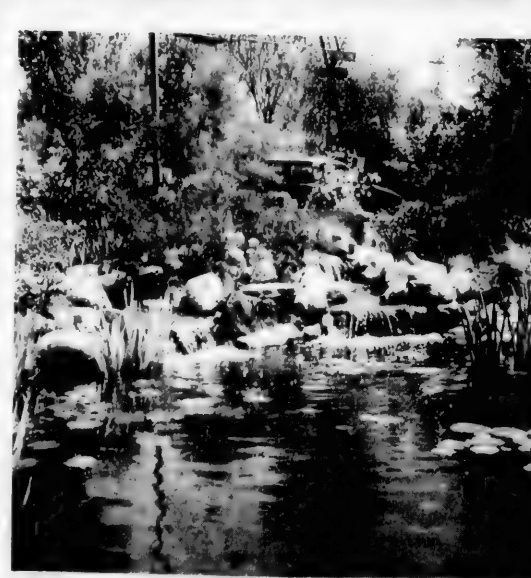
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Carole Classic All-Star Game tonight

AHS football stars in charity game

By Rick Harrison

ANDOVER HIGH FOOTBALL will be well-represented at the 12th and final Carole Classic All-Star Game tonight, Thursday.

Eight recently-graduated seniors, all of whom were instrumental in the Golden Warriors' outstanding 10-1 season on the gridiron last fall (best in 29 years), will join approximately 40 others from Merrimack Valley Conference schools to take on their Middlesex League counterparts at Burlington High's Varsity Field.

Kickoff for the annual charity game is 7 p.m.

Former AHS standouts slated to play are quarterback/linebacker Geoff Stevens, running back/defensive back Matt Hennessy, running back/defensive back Shaheen Ghandchi, guard/defensive tackle Mike Gustin, guard/defensive tackle Kyle MacKenzie, wide receiver/strong safety John Fox, punter/defensive back Mike Lattari and two-way tackle Mike Cerchione.

The MVC 'Stars lead the series, 6-5, and will be trying to finish with the all-time edge as the game's organizers have indicated this will be the last Carole Classic.

Proceeds from the game benefit Camp Carole, a New Hampshire summer retreat on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee that offers a respite for kids of all ages stricken with cancer.

The previous 11 Carole Classics have raised more than \$200,000 for the kids, some of whom are in remission and others whose prognosis is not as positive.

Players from both All-Star teams attended the special Carole Classic breakfast held in Woburn in May, at which time a film was shown chronicling the history of the unique camp and profiling some of the amazing children it helps.

Cancer survivors and those still battling the

disease were guest speakers, and the healthy athletes always come away from that breakfast fully realizing what a tremendous cause they are supporting.

"It's a shame the game is ending because it's such a terrific charity," said AHS head varsity coach Ken Maglio. "Our players are all strong character kids and we're proud to have so many there this year."

Higher learning

All eight Andover players are headed to college or prep school.

Stevens and Gustin will attend St. Anselm College in Manchester, N.H.

Hennessy is headed to Tufts College in Medford, Ghandchi to Curry College in Milton, Fox to Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, Lattari to Syracuse University, Cerchione to New Hampton Prep, and MacKenzie is undecided.

Stevens, Gustin, Hennessy, Ghandchi, MacKenzie and Cerchione will play college football for sure.

Lattari hopes to walk-on and earn a spot with the Orangemen as a punter, and the versatile Fox is expected

to opt for his other athletic passion, lacrosse. Last fall for Andover High, Stevens scored a team-high 11 touchdowns (66 points) and threw 11 TD passes, while Ghandchi and Hennessy combined for 90 points and close to 2,000 yards rushing.

Stevens finished his AHS career with 19 rushing TDs, 114 points and 17 touchdown passes.

Despite battling injuries, Hennessy scored 78 points and rushed for more than 2,200 yards and Ghandchi scored 84 career points.

In the Carole Classic, head coach Pat Murphy of Dracut is expected to use Stevens primarily at linebacker and possibly alternating with Dracut's Tim Dillon and Chelmsford's Eddie Rich at quarterback.

"Geoff can play anywhere," said Maglio.

"He's one of the best athletes in the conference and has great size (6'1", 212 pounds). "He'll play quarterback at St. Anselm."

Hennessy (5'9", 200), honored last spring as one of 24 statewide scholar-athletes selected by the Massachusetts Football Coaches Association, will play the I-back in the Carole game while the speedy Ghandchi (5'10", 182) is listed as a wide receiver.

"Matt runs very hard and he's a perfect I-back because he's also a strong blocker," said Maglio. "Shaheen has good hands and he's fast. They're going with four wideouts and he'll get out quickly on the slant and hitch patterns."

Tough customers

Gustin (6'1", 260) will play defensive tackle tonight, MacKenzie (6'1", 225) defensive end, Cerchione (6'4", 270) offensive tackle, Fox (5'11", 175) defensive back and Lattari (5'8", 180) will punt and play in the defensive backfield.

"Gustin and MacKenzie are two of the best defensive linemen we've had since I've been here," said Maglio. "Both are very strong and it will be tough for the Middlesex team to run against them."

"MacKenzie had three or four sacks for us last fall — and opponents just didn't run to their side of the line."

"Cerchione is a legitimate I-AA college prospect," noted Maglio. "He's been lifting since our season ended and has gotten even bigger — packing on the muscle. His size and the year of prep school will do him good."

Cerchione, along with Mike Muccio, also played in the Shriners Classic at Bentley College in June.

"Fox is among the smartest football players I've ever coached. That intelligence is invaluable and, by the way, he likes to hit, too," said Maglio.

"Lattari averaged 35 yards per punt for us. His kicks have excellent hang time and he's a master at getting the ball inside the other team's five yard line at crucial times."

Tickets for tonight's game are \$7 and can be purchased at the gate.

Nationals bow out of Tournament, finishing 3rd

By Rick Harrison

The Andover National Major 11-12 Division Little League All-Stars were recently eliminated from the District 14 Tournament, finishing third in a 21-team field.

The 2004 champions, knocked into the loser's bracket for the first time in two years after a tough 2-1 winner's bracket semifinal loss to Chelmsford Fitts, were ousted by that same team, 5-0, in the loser's bracket final at Deyermund Field.

Prior to that setback, the locals moved ahead by beating North Andover East, 8-2, in the semifinals at Deyermund.

A-N, 9-2 in district play the last two years, finished the annual youth baseball tourney with a 4-2 record.

The same Fitts' pitcher who stymied the Nationals the first time around, Mike Taylor, tossed another gem as he limited the locals to three hits in the shutout.

A-N struck the ball on the nose a number of times, but the Chelmsford fielders made all the plays.

Fitts went on to blank previously-undefeated Billerica American, 5-0, in the championship round to set up a winner-take-all title game between the same two teams earlier this week.

The Nationals have two more tournaments this summer, competing in the North Reading Invitational before taking off for a week-long stay at the Baseball Hall of Fame Youth Tournament.

A-N will play comparable teams from around the country at the Doubleday Field complex in Cooperstown, N.Y. from Aug. 6 to 12.

Last July, the Andover Nationals, managed by Len Driscoll, moved through the 2004 district tournament undefeated with five consecutive wins over Lawrence Prospect Hill (5-1), Methuen West (11-0), Billerica National (8-5), Andover American (2-1) and Methuen West (5-0).

The Nationals advanced to the Massachusetts Sectionals, going 3-2 before being ousted by Wakefield National in the championship game.

The locals beat Hamilton-Wenham (7-6), Lynn Wyoma (1-0) and Wakefield (2-0) prior

to a 9-0 loss to Wakefield in their third meeting.

LOSER'S BRACKET

Semifinal

Andover National 8

North Andover East 2

The locals were in control from the beginning, notching solo runs in the first and second before adding four in the third and their final two in the fourth inning to take an 8-0 lead.

NA averted the shutout with two runs in the top of the fifth.

Righthander Alex Driscoll improved his tourney record to 2-1 with five innings of four hit work, whiffing seven and walking one.

Andy Coke finished up with a hitless sixth, in relief.

Coke also contributed two singles and two RBI to the offense, while Driscoll had a triple single and RBI.

Josh Smith doubled, walked and scored twice, Alex Linnemann singled, walked and scored twice.

A-N once again played offenseless.

Final

Chelmsford Fitts 5

Andover National 0

Mike Taylor put on even better the second time around against the Nationals, the smallish and stout left-hander mixing up the speed of his pitches and keeping the Andover hitters off balance.

Taylor's three strikes over the six-inning distance, made one and issuing one walk.

His teammates made only one error, batted out of base and scored one run in the second, none in the third and two in the fourth.

The A-N satellites were singles by Kyle Berthiaume, Andy Coke and Alex Linnemann.

Berthiaume was the only Andover runner to reach second base, getting there after a two-out single and Fitts' lone error in the second inning. A fly ball to center ended the threat.

Righthanders Bennett Deady (2 2/3 innings) and Jay Taylor (2 1/3 innings) split the pitching for the Nationals.

Mike Taylor was also trouble at the plate, finishing 2-for-2 with a double, sacrifice and two runs scored.



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Business

BRIEFS

PCCD staff promoted

Christeen Brown and Aimee Phleger, staff members of the Professional Center for Child Development in Andover have both been promoted.

Brown, a certified early intervention specialist, of Lexington, has accepted the position of regional consultation program director. Brown is a graduate of Trinity College and Wheelock College. The Professional Center was recently awarded its second consecutive three-year contract with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for the Regional Consultation Program. The program serves children birth to 3 years with multiple disabilities and/or complex health-care needs within the Northeastern region of Massachusetts.

Phleger, a Methuen resident with a bachelor's degree in special education, has accepted the position of early intervention group coordinator. Phleger is a graduate of Andover High School, where she was known under her maiden name Aimee Damon, and Fitchburg State College. She will work to include and coordinate children seen in early intervention in some of the on-site and community groups associated with the center. One example would be the Two by Two community developmental play groups that have been a favorite among parents of young children in the Merrimack Valley.

O'Connor achieves standard

Margaret O'Connor of Railroad Street, a broker with Coldwell Banker Real Estate Brokers, has achieved Cendant Mobility Affinity Specialist certification. This annual certificate is part of the Certified Agent Advantage Program, a professional standard available exclusively to members of the Cendant Mobility Principal Broker network.



Margaret O'Connor

Cendant Mobility requires qualified network agents to become certified as relocation experts by participating in one or more Certified Agent Advantage courses and passing a written exam upon completion. The CMAS course, in which O'Connor participated, covers performance metrics and goals to address the critical-to-quality elements of success for clients and customers. "As members of the Cendant Mobility Broker Network, our agents strive to deliver top notch services to every client," said Nancy DeMaro, office manager of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokers in North Andover. "The Certified Agent Advantage program helps to differentiate our agents and provides them with a wider range of resources and career growth opportunities."

Learn business mailing

The Northeastern Massachusetts Postal Customer Council will hold a Bulk Mail Acceptance Education Day Wednesday, July 27, at the Middlesex-Essex Processing and Distribution center, 76 Main St., North Reading.

Business and non-profit mailers are being invited to the event, which will feature two sessions — 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12 noon to 3 p.m. — tours of the mail processing facility, and a demonstration of the "Merlin" machine that verifies bulk mail, non-profit mail, bar-coded mail and other discounted mail pieces.

In addition, presentations will be given on mail-piece design, ancillary endorsements, address hygiene and automation discounts.

The deadline to register is tomorrow, Friday, July 22. More information and reservations can be made by calling 800-322-0377.

A five-star (Lowell) General

HealthGrades, a leading source for health care quality information, has announced that it has again recognized Lowell General Hospital with a 5-Star rating for clinical excellence in Maternity Care. In addition, Lowell General Hospital ranked in the top 5 percent of all hospitals in the nation for maternity care. This marks the fourth year in a row that Lowell General Hospital has received this distinction.

Carina & Co.: Downtown's new accessory

Store to offer latest handbags, jewelry and other fashion accessories

Andover's downtown retail environment is expanding with the creation of Carina & Co., which the owners describe as a "new, affordable, trendy, accessory business."

Carina & Co. can be found at 3 Barnard St., the former location of the Sandpiper Shop, and is owned by Michelle Corey and her daughter, Nicole Allard.

Carina & Co. will feature women's and teens' accessories, jewelry, belts, handbags, watches, and ear piercing. It will also feature quality and elegant neckpieces for the bride, along with bridal accessories and bridal party gifts, according to the owners.

Handbags range in price from \$15 to \$60. A typical costume-jewelry set runs about \$25, according to the store. Ear piercing is \$20, which includes the piercing, earrings and solution.

"I've always wanted to expand my business with accessories, but was lacking the room in my store. When an opportunity arises like this, who better to start a business with than your daughter," Corey, who also owns Beauty Solutions on Main Street in Andover, said in a release.

Nicole Allard, who has been in the legal field for eight years, says she is enjoying this new business undertaking.

"I have always loved fashion, and this opportunity has allowed me to expand my interest into a full-fledged business venture," she said.

"We will be exploring and introducing 'the latest' in the fashion accessory world," added



Nicole Allard and Michelle Corey are co-owners of Carina & Co. at 3 Barnard St.

Allard. "Our new store will be the type of environment that is fun, creative and the kind of place where our customer will feel comfortable and welcome."

Carina & Co. will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Carina & Co. also sells a variety of bridal accessories.

Dutton excels for local YMCA

Merrimack Valley YMCA employees Juan Wheatley, Brian Pecci, and Danyelle Dutton were awarded the 2005 President/CEO Award from the Merrimack Valley YMCA.

Dutton of Brentwood, N.H., was honored for her work to develop and expand many new programs for families to enjoy the YMCA. She is the family enrichment director at the Andover/North Andover YMCA.

This annual award is presented to one full-time staff member at each Merrimack Valley YMCA branch for exhibiting teamwork and dedication to the YMCA, as well as outstanding service to YMCA members.



Pictured (from left to right) are: Juan Wheatley, resident case manager at the Lawrence YMCA; Brian Pecci, youth & family services director at the Methuen YMCA; Merrimack Valley YMCA President/CEO Stephen Ives; and Danyelle Dutton, family enrichment director at the Andover/North Andover YMCA.

NEW BUSINESS

Tutors teach diverse ages, subject needs

Smart Start Tutoring on Central Street

First-graders who have trouble reading and high school seniors confused by calculus can both find help at Smart Start Tutoring, a new downtown tutoring business.

"We have all kinds of resources," says owner Cathy Wallace.

Located at 21 Central St., the business and its 10 tutors instruct pupils on any subject, including phonics, math, reading and writing, during one-hour sessions.

A typical study session includes students eating a light snack in the waiting area before entering a private room for one-on-one tutoring, explains Wallace. Learning how to better write outlines, take notes and handle standardized tests are common areas of interest.

Sessions covering all academic areas or preparation for the SAT, SSAT or MCAS test cost \$55 an hour. Students seeking help with the SAT, ACT and Wilson Reading Test pay \$60 an hour.

Previously called the Andover Tutoring Connection, Smart Start Tutoring's instructors uses unusual approaches, says Wallace, from designing phonics games for young children to organizing group study sessions to help older students ace the SAT.

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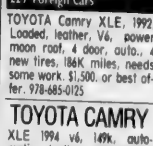
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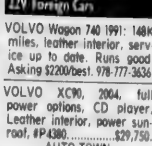
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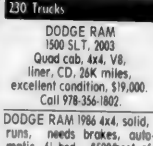
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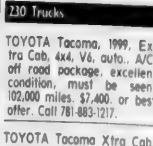
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TRASH TIPS

Residents cannot throw everything into their trash.

For example, a Massachusetts waste ban prohibits trash collectors from picking up demolition debris. Contractors must use a dumpster.

Residents can bring electronics to West Middle School on one of three days each year that the town collects these types of items for disposal. Household hazardous waste, including chemicals, batteries and oil-based paints, are collected twice yearly at West Elementary School.

Residents should return tires, motor oil and all refrigerators to a company selling these items and will likely have to pay a small disposal fee. Cardboard must be recycled and broken into 2x2-foot pieces and no thicker than 4 inches in depth.

BFI will collect household furniture. To dispose of latex paint, residents should remove the cover of the paint can and let the paint dry out in the garage, suggests DPW Director Jack Petkus. When the paint is solid, throw it away with household trash.



A worker from BFI picks up trash on Rattlesnake Hill Road this winter. The town has picked up a two-year contract extension with BFI it negotiated as an option in 2002, before gas prices skyrocketed and the state raised the prevailing wage for trash-truck drivers.

Extending trash deal seen as boon

By Greta Cuyler

The town's existing trash-collection company will continue to collect Andover's trash for the next two years. And the town believes this should save taxpayers thousands of dollars.

Browning-Ferns Industries has been providing trash-collection service to the town since 2002, when Andover put the service out to bid and awarded to BFI a three-year trash-collection deal, with a two-year renewal option.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski signed the two-year contract extension, effective July 1, at Tuesday night's selectmen's meeting. By contract, BFI will receive a 3-percent increase each year, with Andover paying \$808,710 for fiscal year '06 and \$832,970 for FY07.

This extension saves Andover thousands of dollars because a new contract with

another firm would invariably reflect skyrocketing fuel rates that have at least doubled in the past three years, says Jack Petkus, public works director. The state also recently increased the prevailing wage rate for trash-truck drivers, meaning a new contract would reflect increased wages.

Another advantage of having BFI as the town trash collection service, said Petkus, is that the organization is large enough to have backup trucks on hand in case a truck is out of commission. Communities that use smaller disposal companies run the risk of trash-disposal delays if a truck breaks down.

"I think they do a good job considering what they have to do," said Stapczynski. "It's a difficult job."

BFI transports the town's trash to a trash-burning plant in North Andover. Petkus said BFI's service has been excellent over the past three years. "We've had a few com-

plaints here and there and I think that's normal given the nature of the business. (BFI) has done an excellent job of resolving them," he said.

People complain most commonly about missing barrel covers, or barrels that are turned upside down by workers.

Petkus said wind is usually the culprit of missing barrel covers. Sanitation workers often will turn over barrels and recycling bins after pickup in an attempt to keep containers from blowing into the street.

"(BFI staff) tries to do their best and turn the barrels upside down," said Petkus. "Invariably, that generates complaints from people."

The town has received more serious resident complaints about trash service, including verbal altercations between BFI employees and residents. One BFI employee was terminated after such an incident.

POLICE LOG

INCIDENTS

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911 call regarding his out-of-control son. The caller said his 24-year-old son was throwing stuff onto the floor. Police said it was a verbal disagreement and the son had left.

At 4:34 p.m., police assisted the sex offender registry board with registering a level-1 sex offender.

Monday, July 18 - At 8:27 p.m., a resident reported her daughter was being stalked.

Tuesday, July 19 - At 11:15 a.m., police assisted in the registration renewal of a level-2 sex offender.

At 12:20 a.m., a resident reported that their house guest had a credit card stolen. Police said the theft of the card took place at a gas station in Marlboro and the unauthorized use took place in Dorchester.

At 3 a.m., an officer said he was flagged down by two females on Main Street who said they were being threatened by someone on their cell phone.

At 8:37 a.m., Lieutenant Hashem advised state police of a motorist in a silver Mercedes who reportedly pointed a handgun at another motorist. The Mercedes was traveling northbound on Interstate 93 approaching Route 495.

At 3:57 p.m., a resident reported a dumpster left on her property.

At 5:15 p.m., a business owner reported his sign was stolen from the sidewalk on North Main street. Police said they believed the sign was not stolen but confiscated by the town due to a bylaw violation.

THEFTS

Wednesday, July 13 - At 4:02 p.m., a resident reported his wallet was stolen in the area of River Road.

Thursday, July 14 - At 7:53 a.m.,

a resident reported a Suzuki motorcycle was stolen sometime during the night in the area of Balmoral Street.

At 5:12 p.m., a resident reported hearing a woman yelling for help in the area of Village Way. Police checked the area and found no one.

Saturday, July 16 - A local business reported apprehending a 16-year-old shoplifter.

Monday, July 18 - A Whittier Street resident reported her son's bicycle was lost or stolen since Saturday.

Tuesday, July 19 - At 5:23 p.m. a Shipman Road resident reported a neighbor entered her house and stole her purse and umbrella. Police said they found the purse and would file a report.

At 9:10 p.m., a Locke Street resident reported her child's scooter was stolen.

BREAKS

Wednesday, July 13 - At 5:32 p.m., The 99 restaurant on Lowell Street reported someone had broken into a car parked in the lot.

Thursday, July 14 - A resident reported three screens were cut at his Summer Street residence and some car keys were missing, but the car was still in the driveway. Police filed a report.

Friday, July 15 - At 5:46 p.m., a resident reported his father's Crestwood Drive home was broken into while he was away. Police took photos and fingerprints at the scene.

Monday, July 18 - At 4:19 p.m., a resident reported someone has been breaking into her Bullfinch Drive apartment.

At 5:23 p.m., a resident called to report a past break to his vehicle on Riverside Drive.

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